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GLOUCESTER FISHERS.
Schooners Ann and Mary and John E. McKenzie Long Overdue.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
GLOUCESTER (Mass.), Dec. 20.—The fishing schooner Ann and Mary, Capt. John Sigsworth, with a crew of eighteen men, which sailed for St. George's bank October 1, has not been heard from since October 28, and is given up for lost.
Another Gloucester schooner, which is long overdue and of which the worst is feared is the John E. McKenzie. She was the largest and best-titled vessel sailing from here, and carried a crew of eighteen picked men.

LAST RESORT.

Opponents of Annexation Change Tactics.
They Now Propose a Bill for a Protectorate Over Hawaii.

The Foreign Relations Committee Will not Compromise.
Commissioner Evans Appears Before the Senate Civil Service Committee—Gideon Denies Having Manipulated Land Office Records.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] While Congress is in recess the active opponents of the annexation of Hawaii continue to press their points and devise new means of alienating from the treaty the support of Senators, who, while ready to support it, do not approve all of its features. One of the latest plans is to propose the preparation of a bill which will have for its object the establishment of a protectorate over the islands. By this means, it is argued, the integrity of the island republic will be assured and the continuance of American domination made certain. There are many men in the upper house who do not believe the policy of annexation of the islands is good, but will vote for and support the treaty in the belief that by this means the United States can hold the advantages which will accrue from the ownership of the natural outpost of the western coast. It is hoped that, by appealing to these Senators through a bill declaring a protectorate over the islands to weaken their support of the treaty, and thus absolutely insure its defeat.

Senator Davis, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, said today that the protectorate idea was advanced to him and he refused to entertain it or do anything at all in the matter. Senator Perkins has expressed the belief that such a plan would find friends where the annexation treaty would lack them, but that this was regarded as a last resource. The members of the Foreign Relations Committee are not concerned about the fate of annexation, but maintain the belief that it will succeed.
OAKLAND'S BOARD OF TRADE. [ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
OAKLAND, Dec. 20.—The Oakland Board of Trade has adopted resolutions in favor of the annexation of Hawaii. IMPOSSIBLE OF MANIPULATION.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Pacific Roads today heard F. M. Gideon, the attorney who was charged by J. K. Reddington on Saturday with having manipulated the Land Office records. Gideon denied any manipulation made by Reddington, and insisted that there was no possibility of manipulating the records in the manner charged, even if he had desired. Alexander Britton testified that books and papers in the Land Office had to go through a number of hands and four or five divisions of the Land Office, making it impossible for any one man to manipulate them in the manner charged by Reddington.

CIVIL SERVICE MODIFICATIONS. [ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The committee appointed at the House civil service conference ten days ago to draft modifications of the civil-service law, met today and went over the various bills pending before the House. The committee expects to have a measure framed by the time Congress meets next month. Its members are opposed to the present law, as including too many offices within its scope.

WHITE HOUSE VISITORS.
Their Number Unusually Large Yesterday—Various Interests.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—No appointments will be made by the President during the holiday recess of Congress, except in case of emergency.

Despite the announcement of this fact, the number of visitors at the White House today was unusually large. Gen. John W. Foster had a brief interview with the President, concerning the Pelagic Sealing Bill, which is now before the Executive. Representative John of North Dakota urged the President not to sign the Sealing Bill, maintaining that as diplomatic negotiations between the United States and Canada with reference to the sealing controversy had been practically terminated, the bill would avail nothing in furthering the negotiations, and would be an injustice to sealers of the United States. The President gave no expression of his intentions, but it is expected that he will sign the bill in a few days.

Atty.-Gen. McKenna, accompanied by W. J. Coombs of New York, one of the government directors of the Union Pacific Railroad, talked briefly with the President about Pacific railroad matters.
Representative Brosius of Pennsylvania, chairman of the House Civil Service Committee, had an extended conference with the President about the operation of the civil-service law. The President is availing himself of the opportunity to talk freely with Senators and Representatives concerning the law, and the effort that is now being made to secure its modification. He is being urged to exempt some positions that are now in the classified service, but at the White House it is said that he has not yet seriously considered the question of modifying the law.

Terrible Gale at St. John's.
ST. JOHN'S (N. F.), Dec. 20.—A terrible gale swept this island yesterday and did immense damage to fishing establishments and vessels at all the seacoast settlements. Twelve schooners went ashore in Green Bay and became total wrecks, and several others were badly damaged in collision.

TRUCKLING TO BRITAIN.

Shipbuilder Charles H. Cramp Utters His Protest Against It.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20.—The Manufacturers' Club tonight held a meeting, at which resolutions were adopted favoring the creation of a new Cabinet department of commerce and manufactures. A communication was also received from the National Organization of Traveling Men, complaining of the inefficiency of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Papers were then read by Charles H. Cramp of the ship-building firm and Theodore C. Zanich, president of the National Organization of Manufacturers, on the way to encourage American ship-building. Mr. Cramp deplored the growth of English influences in this country. He said:
English ideas and doctrines penetrate every walk and every branch of activity in the United States. At no time prior to the Declaration of Independence, during the colonial period, was our national feeling subjected to Great Britain so complete as it is now.
In my judgment, this relation between England and our country forms the greatest underlying cause of prevailing financial and industrial conditions here, and more particularly in the ship-building industry. American statesmen and journalists seem to wait expressions of British views on any subject connected with our national existence or attitude before making up their minds.

BERING SEA CLAIMS.
UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN COMMISSIONERS FINISH WORK.
They Will Soon Begin Preparation of Their Reports to the Government—Total Approved Claims Will Reach Over a Million.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
BOSTON, Dec. 20.—After a week of conference in Boston, Justices Putnam and King, the commissioners for the United States and Canada, respectively, in the arbitration of the Bering Sea claims, have completed their work for the present, and it is understood will soon begin the preparation of their reports to their respective governments. The commissioners have been holding daily sessions in this city, during which they have gone over the disputed claims, step by step, and it is understood that the work of the commission is now reaching its close. It is understood that an agreement as to the amount of the indemnity claimed has been reached in all but a few cases, and these are likely to be settled without the appointment of an umpire, which is provided for in the convention authorizing the commission.

The amount awarded to Great Britain is to be paid within six months of the time when the final decision is reached. The work of the commission is now reaching its close. It is understood that an agreement as to the amount of the indemnity claimed has been reached in all but a few cases, and these are likely to be settled without the appointment of an umpire, which is provided for in the convention authorizing the commission.

VALUE OF KITES.
Expert Eddy Tells of Some of His Experiments.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—William A. Eddy of Bayonne, N. J., well known as an expert in constructing and flying kites, and in aerial photography, has just completed a series of experiments that he thinks will prove that his kites may be made of the utmost value to meteorologists and navigators.

He believes that he has established the fact that the pull of his kites on their strings, as indicated by a delicate spring balance, accurately measures the velocity of the wind, and he thinks, too, that he has demonstrated by this means that the wind velocity over a wide region is practically the same at a not very great height above the ground, where the effect of the irregularities of the earth's surface upon the atmospheric movements are annulled.

BIG SCHEME FROM KANSAS.
Gov. Leedy Makes the Desert Blossom as the Rose.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
TOPEKA (Kan.), Dec. 20.—Gov. Leedy announces that he will present a scheme to the Nebraska Irrigation Convention which, if carried out, will cause the arid plains to blossom as the rose.

A 1700-mile canal from Montana to Texas is the startling proposition to be formally made by Gov. Leedy to the coming irrigation congress. The purpose of the canal is to carry the flood of waters of the Missouri and Mississippi valleys, impound them and let them down when wanted, by a series of locks, to the Red River at Milk River, in Montana, and empty into Red River in Texas.
The Governor mentions intention that the cost would be only \$300,000,000.

FIGHTING UNCLE SAM.
Texas Does Not Want to Give Up a Piece of Galveston Island.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—A special to the Chronicle from Fort Worth, Tex., says the State of Texas and the United States government are in conflict over a piece of ground on the east end of Galveston Island, on which is located the State quarantine station, and which has been taken possession of by the Federal authorities who intend erecting a torpedo station thereon. The United States claim it under the terms of the Texas annexation treaty, which required the ceding to the government by the Republic of Texas of all lands used for the purposes of military defenses or upon which fortifications were standing. The State disputes the claim, on the ground that there were no available fortifications in existence on the ground in controversy at the time the treaty was made.

Refused to Teach Others.
PAWTUCKET (R.I.), Dec. 20.—The Royal Weaving Company's mill was forced to close today because of the striking of 250 weavers, whose wages were recently reduced. The strike was precipitated by the discharge of several weavers, who refused to teach others.

Scott Walker a Prisoner.
CALCUTTA, Dec. 20.—According to advices from the front, Scott Walker of the Scots Fusiliers, is a prisoner in the hands of the Sipahi Afridis. Efforts are being made to obtain his release.

FIRE RAGING.

Kansas City Visited by a Big Blaze.
Theater and Hotel Building Entirely Destroyed.
Panic in the Hotel Followed the Alarm of Fire.

The Loss Amounts to Nearly Half a Million Dollars—High Insurance Rates Prevented Any Large Amount of Insurance.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
KANSAS CITY (Mo.), Dec. 21.—Fire broke out at 1:15 o'clock this morning in the big Auditorium building at Ninth and Holmes, which contains the biggest theater in Kansas City and one of the biggest hotels. The fire originated in the servants' quarters on the sixth floor. Though the greatest excitement prevailed among the guests of the hotel, no one was hurt in the panic that followed the alarm of fire.

At 1:40 o'clock the fire was believed to be under control, but at 1:55 o'clock the flames burst out again and made headway against the efforts of the firemen.

At 3 o'clock it is apparent that the building will be destroyed. A portion of the roof and the dome have fallen in, and the outside wall threatens to fall at any moment. All spectators have been driven back from the street. Though there is great excitement among the guests of the hotel, many of the guests have sought shelter in nearby buildings. It is quite certain that the fire has been attended by no loss of life or serious accident. Most of the guests succeeded in saving their personal effects. The Woodward Stock Company, which has been playing at the theater, saved all their effects.

Faxton & Burgess are the lessees of the theater.
At 3:30 a.m. it is certain that the destruction of the building will be complete.
Alexander Frazer, owner of the property, states that the building and the hotel and theater furnishings represent an investment of \$500,000. He purchased the property only a few months ago. His insurance, he says, is about \$70,000. Owing to the high rates demanded he had refused to reinsure several policies that recently expired.

Suicide With a Dustpan.
CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—John Hogan, a patient at Cook County Insane Asylum at Dunning, and a brother of the widely-known sporting man, Mala-

chal Hogan, committed suicide last night in a peculiar manner. He eluded the vigilance of the guards, and, going to the bathroom, picked up a dustpan and drew the ragged edge of it across his throat, severing the windpipe and veins of his throat.

BOSTON'S ELECTION.
It Takes Place Today After a Very Bitter Campaign.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
BOSTON, Dec. 20.—The municipal campaign closed tonight with rallies by the supporters of all three of the leading candidates, and tomorrow the hundred thousand or more electors will choose a Mayor, seven Aldermen, eight members of the School Committee, a Street Commissioner for three years, and three Councilmen from each ward.

The candidates of the two leading political parties are the same as two years ago. Mayor Quincy heading the Democratic ticket, while ex-Mayor Edwin T. Curtis is the candidate for the Republicans for the third time. The disturbing factor in the campaign has been the candidacy of Thomas Riley, who is running on the Bryan Democratic ticket, and his campaign, which has been strongly antagonistic to Mayor Quincy, has been conducted with great vigor by several young politicians. The campaign has been marked by its intensity of feeling, especially on the part of the Riley supporters, whose onslaughts on Mayor Quincy have been exceedingly bitter.

As the election of Mr. Riley is considered out of the question, the contest apparently depends on how many votes he can draw from the regular Democratic ticket. Although the city is a Republican majority at the State election last month, the registration has been heavily Democratic, and it is normally of that tendency.

MAY CHANGE PASTORS.
McKINLEY DISAPPROVES OF DR. JOHNSTON'S SERMONS.
Preacher at Metropolitan Church Too Sensational for the Chief Executive's Tastes—Sunday Newspapers Arraigned Yesterday.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] President McKinley is seriously considering the advisability of discontinuing his attendance at the Metropolitan Church, where Dr. Hugh Johnston, pastor, has twice delivered sensational sermons. The pastor's ardent expressions of his disapproval of Dr. Johnston's sensational sermons. The President has not yet decided whether he will continue his attendance at the Metropolitan Church, but he has the change under consideration, and may not hereafter occupy the pew set apart for him unless assurances are given that Dr. Johnston will modify his pulpit discourses.

Points of the News in Today's Times.
SUMMARY.
No. of Separate Dispatches. No. of Words.
General Associated Press night report, received since dark yesterday... 112 12,800
Commercial report (night), received since dark yesterday... 30 3,400
Exclusive Times dispatches (night), received since dark yesterday... 5 693
Associated Press day report, received before dark yesterday... 85 10,860
The whole equivalent to about 23 columns.

The City—Pages 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14.
Webb begins his defense by a general and sweeping denial...Contract for fire hose awarded...Escape of burglar Filkins...Trial of Crandall for murder...Proceedings in court against Webb and Adams...St. Paul's Church bazaar...Seventh-ward election complications...News from the orange districts.
Southern California—Page 13.
Pasadena to have a new boulevard to this city...Motion for a new trial in the Milner case at Riverside...New courthouse now assured at San Bernardino...Schooner Lou leaves Coronado to hunt again for whales...Board of Supervisors meet at Santa Ana...Live-bird shooting at Santa Barbara...Burglaries at Whittier...Members of the Soldiers' Home found dead.
General Eastern—Pages 1, 2, 3, 10.
Opponents of Hawaiian annexation changing tactics...Surveyor-General Perrenut of Idaho revolts against civil service...Destructive fire at Kansas City...President McKinley to change his church...Private Waddell to quit the army...Texas and the United States government dispute title to a piece of land...State Chaplain Salter of the Minnesota G.A.R. dead. Gov. Leedy to propose a 1700-mile canal from Montana to Texas...Federal Labor says union men must leave the militia...Chicago filling with sports to witness the Tracy-Walcott fight...Policy which Germany is pursuing in the Pacific interests this government—A grip will be kept on Hawaii and Samoa...Banker Sturges dead in Brooklyn...Polish offshoot from the Roman Catholic church...Spanish diplomat says Spain is not unfriendly...Commissioner of Pensions Evans addresses the Senate Civil-Service Committee...Ex-Bank Burglar McCoy clubbed and probably fatally wounded...Three killed by a boiler explosion in Evergreen, Ala...Mexican treasure stolen—United States and Canada Bering Sea Commissioners finish work.

HAD TO LEAVE.

An Honorable Discharge Granted Waddell.
He Testifies Against Lovering at the Court-martial.
Life at Fort Sheridan Made Unbearable for Him.

Even a Small Clerkship Preferable to Slow Torture at the Hands of the Martinet Who are Friends of the Convicted Officer.
[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]
CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Secretary of War Alger has authorized the honorable withdrawal from the United States army of Private Charles H. Waddell, who is now stationed at Fort Sheridan. Waddell was the chief witness in testifying before the recent court-martial, as to Capt. Lovering's brutality. The private's experience since that time has convinced him that life will be far more congenial away from the authority of those who feel incensed at Lovering's fate.

Waddell is the second man to find that the atmosphere of Fort Sheridan is unhealthy for any one who contributed to Lovering's reprimand. Corp. Clarence New was the first. Less than two months ago, and just previous to the convening of the court-martial, Corp. New was reduced to a private, apparently without cause. Private Waddell belongs to Co. H, Fourth Infantry. He applied for an honorable discharge, which has been granted, according to an order received from Secretary Alger. Waddell expects to receive a communication from the army officers in authority over him tomorrow which will allow him to leave the barracks in freedom.

Upon the ground that he has always been well used by his captain, Waddell will say nothing as to just what his real complaints against the army officers in authority over him. But life at the fort does not suit his taste—even a small clerkship, he admits now, proving alluring compared with a soldier's life at Fort Sheridan, particularly if he is the only private who testified in the now-famous Hammond-Lovering case.

WELL-KNOWN BANKER DEAD.
Was at One Time Engaged in Business in Sacramento.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Stephen Buckinham Sturges, one of the founders of the Northwestern National Bank of Chicago, is dead, at his home in Brooklyn of apoplexy, aged 70 years.

He was born in Mansfield, O., and was graduated at Kenyon College, in Cambridge, in the same State. He was a son of Elton Perry Sturges, a prominent merchant and banker and one of the pioneer settlers of Mansfield, O. Mr. Sturges was a banker in Sacramento, Cal., during the gold fever. He afterward went to Cleveland, and was in control of the Forest City Bank of that city when he was killed. He was made lieutenant-colonel of the Cleveland Light Artillery, and was with that battery to the front at the opening of hostilities. Soon afterward he was forced to retire from active service on account of ill health, but gave valuable assistance on various sanitary commissions and on committees in support of the government. When the national banks were started he headed the Northwestern National Bank of Chicago. In 1877 he retired from active business, engaging only as director of several enterprises.

GONE TO HIS MASTER.
Death of a Well-known Minister and Philanthropist.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
DULUTH (Minn.), Dec. 20.—Dr. Charles C. Salter, State Chaplain of the G.A.R. of Minnesota and founder of the Pilgrim Congregational Church and of the Sailors' Bethel of Duluth, is dead, aged 66 years.

His first call was to the Congregational pulpit at Kenawee, Ill., in 1859. The elder Salter was one of the founders of the Illinois College at Jacksonville. Dr. Salter was chaplain of the Thirtieth Connecticut Regiment. He was for several years pastor of the Plymouth Congregational Church at Minneapolis. He was formerly pastor of the First Congregational Church of Denver. During two years abroad he was for one year pastor of the American chapel in Florence, Italy. Dr. Salter was tutor of Latin at Yale for classes of 1888 and 1889. He was celebrated in the Northwest for his work of philanthropy.

FAMOUS HOTEL MAN DEAD.
Lewis Leland Passes Away in New York.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Lewis Leland, one of the family of famous hotel men of that name, died in this city today, aged 65. He and his brothers have been among the most prominent hotel men in the United States. His last active management of a hotel was in connection with the Stratford House, in this city, from which he retired about seven years ago. With his brother, C. S. Leland, he managed the old St. Charles Hotel, one of the famous Broadway hotels in earlier days. The Leland hotel, in Chicago, still in existence under that name, was one of the best known of the Leland's enterprises, as is the Leland at Springfield, Ill.

Same Fate as Durrant.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The Supreme Court of the United States today affirmed the decision of the lower court in the case of J. J. Ebanks, a convicted murderer of California, basing its decision on the Durrant case.

By Cable—Pages 1, 2.
British steamer Floridian disabled at sea...Impossible for the government to form a new ministry in Chile...Sergt. Walker of the Scots Fusiliers a prisoner in the hands of Afridis...Peru to promulgate the new marriage law...France taxing hogs and hog products...The powers preparing to slice up China...Verdict of willful murder in the death of Actor Terriss. Funeral of Daudet...Spanish papers applaud Weyler...Grief in Havana over the death of Ruiz...New marriage laws in Peru.
Financial and Commercial—Page 12.
Exporters good buyers of cattle. New York money...Stock market falls into a decline...Liverpool grain...Stocks and bonds...American securities good at London...Visible grain supply. California dried fruits steady...Coast produce.
At Large—Pages 1, 2, 3.
Dispatches were also received from New York, Chicago, Denver, Washington, San Francisco, Calcutta, St. John, N. F.; Troy, N. Y.; Fall River, Mass.; London and other places.

THE TURF CONGRESS.

A WELL-ATTENDED MEETING HELD AT CINCINNATI.

All Western Clubs Save the Washington Park, Detroit and Pacific Coast are Represented.

RULE-BREAKERS REINTEGRATED.

REDUCTION ALLOWED IN THE SIZE OF PURSE.

Tracy-Walcott Fight Drawing Large Crowds to Chicago—Fast Time at Oakland-New Orleans Summaries—Bull.

ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.

CINCINNATI (O.), Dec. 20.—The Western Turf Congress met here today with all the clubs represented, save the Washington Park, Detroit and Pacific Coast. During the session, all the horses, horsemen and officials that raced at Pimlico during the first four days of this month in violation of the rule which prohibits racing in the North after December 1, were reinstated. The purse was changed to permit cities of 200,000 population to offer \$250 purses, instead of \$300.

FASTEST RACE TRACK.

Oakland Lays Claim to It After a New Record.

ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—The feature of the racing at Oakland today was the very fast time made in the various races this afternoon, which proves that the track across the bay is the fastest regulation course in America. Salvado, a horse from the East, but who was bred in California, established a new Coast record by running one and one-sixteenth miles in 1:46, thus beating the best previous track record one-half second. St. Cuthbert, with 115 pounds in the saddle, captured the Pinkerton handicap at six furlongs, the distance being run in 1:13. The merit of this performance can be better appreciated when it is stated that the track record is 1:13.

OAKLAND RESULTS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—Results at Oakland: Five furlongs, selling: Iraden, 90 (Clawson), 7 to 1; Brambilla, 90 (Gray), 12 to 1; third, Miss Alice, 96 (Jones), 4 to 1; fourth, 1:02. La Loma, Queen Blazes, Al Gorta and Boddadica also ran.

Six furlongs, selling: Myth, 110 (Conley), 3 to 1; Fortunate, 112 (Jones), 5 to 1; second, B. and W., 115 (Thorpe), 9 to 5; third, 1:27.4. Long and Dance, Los Cerrillos and Miss Ross also ran.

One mile and a sixteenth, selling: Salvador, 107 (W. Taylor), 2 to 1; second, Don Clarendon, 107 (Clawson), 10 to 1; third, 1:46.4. Osric II also ran.

Pinkerton Handicap, six furlongs, two-year-olds: St. Cuthbert, 116 (W. Martin), 15 to 1; second, Torsida, 119 (H. Martin), 3 to 1; third, Eddie Jones, 116 (Thorpe), 9 to 5; fourth, 1:13. Imperious, San Venando, Castake, Donator also ran.

Five furlongs, selling: Tiger Lily, 104 (Conley), 8 to 5; second, Lady Ashley, 95 (Gray), 4 to 1; third, 1:01.4. Kaiserin, Darcotina, Little T. G., Bonnie Ione, Toto, and others also ran. One mile, selling: Moylan, 109 (W. Martin), 15 to 1; second, Double Quick, 112 (Clawson), 2 to 1; third, Masero, 109 (McDonald), 10 to 1; fourth, 1:20.4. Coda, Santuzza, Midas, Mollie R., Walter J. and Argentina also ran.

RYAN'S SOFTEST MARK.

Alleged South African Fitzsimmons Put Out in Three Rounds.

ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT. BUFFALO (N. Y.), Dec. 20.—Bill Hefferman, the South African, who has been touted as a second Fitzsimmons, made his initial appearance in an American ring tonight in what was his last fight. He was defeated by Tommy Ryan of Syracuse. Hefferman was the easiest victim that Ryan has ever met.

The men fought at the Olympic Athletic Club and weighed in at 150 pounds. Hefferman was tall and lanky, with a long reach, which, however, was no obstacle to the Syracuse man, who landed when and where he pleased. Hefferman was slow and awkward, and Ryan played with him for three rounds while the crowd laughed derisively.

In the third round the South African was sent to the floor by a left on the chin, and took the limit in getting up. He went down again in a moment from a right-hand on the jaw, and was counted out.

THE TWO PETERS.

Maher Must Meet Jackson Before Taking Any Other On.

ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT. PITTSBURGH (Pa.), Dec. 20.—Peter Maher's backers have received several replies to their challenge to fight any man in the world for the heavyweight championship. Among those received was one from Billy Madden, saying he could secure a \$10,000 purse for a "go" at Little Rock, Ark., in March between Maher and Gus Ruhlin. At the same time Norton of San Francisco notified Maher that the fight arranged for between him and Jackson is still on, and conflicting dates must not be made for other fights.

Maher intends to carry out his agreement for the Jackson fight, to come in February, but is anxious to meet Ruhlin also. Arrangements are therefore being made contingent on the San Francisco battle, to go after the Little Rock purse in March or thereabouts.

CHICAGO FULL OF SPORTS.

The Tracy-Walcott Fight Drawing Large Crowds.

ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT. CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—The city is full of boxers and fighters. The arrival of Creedon, Tracy, Choyinski and others adds to an already large colony. Tracy will finish today his work for the Walcott bout tomorrow night. Walcott is in splendid shape.

"Steve" Flanagan, who is to meet "Joe" Sturch in a preliminary bout of six rounds, arrived with the eastern party. He is a likely-looking boy.

Both of the principals in the main bout are down to weight, 145 pounds. George Siler will return from the East today, and is to act as referee.

It was stated yesterday that McCoy had promised that his next meeting would be with Joe Choyinski. A twenty-round contest may be arranged to take place near New York.

Higgins Puts Out Foran.

LYNN (Mass.), Dec. 20.—What is claimed to be the record in knockouts

was made at the Hoffman Club, when Mike Higgins of this city put Tom Foran of Malden out in five and a half seconds. The previous record was six seconds.

Results.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 20.—The track was good. Results: Six furlongs: Dudley E. won, Mr. Hunt, second, Balance All, third; time 1:29.

Six furlongs, selling: French Gray won, Pontet, Canet second, Gyppever third; time 1:18.

One mile and twenty yards, selling: His Brother won, Elkins second, Jolly Son third; time 1:48.

One mile and twenty yards, selling: Mazarine won, Clarinda second, What Next third; time 1:47.

One mile, selling: Discount won, Rushford second, Miss Young third; time 1:46.4.

Standard Coaches Wanted.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—Jack Rice, the Stanford tackle, left here tonight by rail for Portland, Or., to coach the Multnomah Athletic Club football team for its great game with the Portland Athletic Club in Portland Christmas day. It is probable that Thomas, Stanford's tackle, and Fickett, the big guard and ex-captain, will also go north to act as additional coaches for one or the other of the rival teams at Portland.

Bennett Knocks Out Ernst.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20.—Jack Bennett of McKeesport, Pa., knocked out Billy Ernst of Brooklyn in the thirteenth round at the Olympic Club at Athens, Pa., tonight.

Western Ball League Adjourns.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—The Western Ball League's meeting adjourned tonight without having disposed of the eighth franchise.

JACK FROST AT WORK.

NIPS THE FRUIT IN VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE STATE.

The Coldest Weather for Several Years—Timely Warning by the Weather Bureau Prevented Much Heavier Damage—Ice Formed in Many Places.

ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.

SAN JOSE, Dec. 20.—Last night was the coldest of the season here, the thermometers in some local places registering the lowest since the winter of 1893-94. The thermometers about San Jose were from 29 deg. down to 24 deg., some reports even lower. Probably the more accurate instruments give no lower than 26 deg.

There was a severe frost and sharp freeze over the entire valley. No serious harm was done, as there was no crop of fruit to be injured. A few late grapes, usually destroyed long before this by rain, may be injured, and even frozen in the valley. In the foothills the more delicate fruit, but these grapes were merely scattering bunches, left in picking. Ice formed in places one-quarter of an inch thick.

MUCH DAMAGE ABOUT PRESNO.

FRESNO, Dec. 20.—The frost here last night was the coldest since that has been experienced in Fresno in the month of December for the last ten years. In December, 1895, the mercury stood 26 deg. above, and it fell to that point tonight. Up to this time no damage had been done by frost to citrus fruits, but last evening the ripe fruit was damaged, if not ruined. In anticipation of the cold, many orchardists plucked their fruit yesterday.

FROST IN SAN DIEGO.

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 20.—The weather in San Diego has been unusually cold the past two days, but was warmer last night than Saturday night. The mercury went down to 38 deg. Saturday night, and there was a little frost, but no damage is reported from anywhere in the county. Forty-three deg. was the lowest reported last night, and clouds prevented frost in the valleys. The mountains are white with snow, which is six inches deep on Cuyamaca Peak, where the temperature went down to 2 deg. above zero Saturday night, but registered 15 above last night.

WILL KILL PARASITES.

STOCKTON, Dec. 20.—The heavy frost of the last several nights is reported to have done no particular damage in this vicinity. As far as grain is concerned, it will delay seeding, but otherwise will do no injury. The fruit men say it is really a benefit to them, inasmuch as it kills parasites, and also delays the blossoming of the trees, so that when they do bear, the heavy frost of the season will be practically over.

SACRAMENTO ESCAPES DAMAGE.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 20.—The lowest temperature recorded here was at 6 o'clock this morning, when the thermometer showed 30 deg. No reports of damages to oranges or vegetables have been received and it is not believed any injury was done. Frost may retard grain to some slight extent.

ALL HUMBLED.

Germany Has no Designs for the Hawaiian Islands.

ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT. WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The assertion that the German fleet under Prince Henry will go to Samoa and Hawaii, thus creating a menacing situation, is ridiculed in official quarters here. When the reports were called to the attention of the German representatives, they laughed heartily at the idea of a German diversion against Samoa or Hawaii. Nothing of this kind has ever been considered.

The German fleet will go to China, the Suez Canal, and its destination is Kiaochau Bay. Germany, the United States and Great Britain are parties to a tripartite for the government of Samoa, although the plan has not proved satisfactory, there has been no recent friction, and at no time a condition which would call for a naval demonstration. Germany has taken no interest in the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands to the United States, and her only interests there are in the 1400 German citizens, who constitute a considerable part of the sugar-exporting community.

Postpones an Important Case.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—No decisions of much general importance were rendered by the Supreme Court of the United States today. The case of the United States against the Joint Traffic Association, involving the applicability of the anti-trust law to the agreement between the great trunk lines between New York and Chicago, was reassigned for argument February 21. The case was set originally for January 3, and as it is decided to have a full bench hear the case, appointment was made to await action by the Senate on the appointment of Atty.-Gen. McKenna.

Terrorist's Death Willful Murder.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—At the inquest today over the remains of Actor Terri, the coroner's jury rendered a verdict of willful murder. The crowd present at the inquest included many actors. The accused man was absent. The evidence was a repetition of the stories when Police was assigned at the Bow-street Police Court.

ALL GRIEVE FOR RUIZ

ACTION OF THE INSURGENTS IS DEEPLY DEPLORED.

The Same Methods Resorted to During the Last Days of the Previous War.

AUTONOMY DECREES PUBLISHED.

CONSERVATIVES CALL A MASS MEETING TO ACT ON THEM.

Filibusters Busy on the Florida Coast, but They are Being Closely Watched—Madrid Papers Applaud Weyer.

ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.

HAVANA, Dec. 20.—[By Central American Cable.] The local newspapers comment today upon the death of Lieut.-Col. Ruiz, the sorrowful utterances reflecting the sentiment of the general public.

El Diario de la Marina relates the fact that at the end of the previous war Ruiz resorted to the same proceedings a few days before the peace of Zanjón.

La Lucha says the fate of Ruiz was "a misfortune to have."

The official Gazette has at last published the autonomy decrees. A large, well-attended mass meeting of Conservatives, with delegates from various parts of the island, was held this evening, convened by a circular issued by the Marquis de Apezteguia, leader of the Spanish Conservative party.

The circular said the Conservatives expect and demand only justice from the government.

Yesterday, at Regla, a suburb of Havana, there was a sensational bull-fight, in which the bull-fighters from Spain entered the bull ring and killed the bulls like regular professionals. They were greatly applauded.

A FURTHER REWARD.

Beside Money Zertucha Now Has the Majority of Bejucal.

ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.

HAVANA, Dec. 20.—[By Central American Cable.] Dr. Zertucha, who was the physician of the late Gen. Maceo, has been appointed Mayor of Bejucal, this province. Zertucha has belonged in his day to all of the political parties in Cuba. At one time he was a bandit in the Vuelta Abajo district and his record was very discreditable. It was quite inexplicable to the friends of Maceo that he kept the physician on his staff for so long a period, notwithstanding the warnings given him. Maceo used to say that Zertucha's fault was his drinking habit.

At the time the famous Cuban commander was killed, Zertucha was charged with leading him and his party into the fatal ambush, but he issued a long statement, in which he tried to show that Maceo met his death in battle in the usual way. Zertucha also bitterly assailed the honor of the Cuban leaders.

After the killing of Maceo the dishonored physician was allowed to go free by the Spaniards, and it was said, and generally believed, that his pockets were well lined with Spanish gold.

WEYER'S MISSION IN LIFE.

MADRID, Dec. 20.—The National prints today a double-headed article to the effect that the principal mission in life of Gen. Weyer at the present moment is to defend the army and his command in Cuba against the foreign money-order business is transacted through the New York post-office greatly exceeds that of any previous year. The outgoing European mail has practically been closed.

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Our Christmas presents to Europe, represented by the money orders sent during the first eighteen days of December, was \$40,000,000. The largest number of orders, 73,400, sent to Great Britain and Ireland, represented \$18,745.

WHERE BOREAS RULES.

Weather Breaks All Records for Cold at Denver.

ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.

DENVER, Dec. 20.—The oldest inhabitant can hardly recall a cold spell in this vicinity that continued longer than the one that began last Wednesday. The minimum temperature in Denver during the day was 2 deg. below zero, and the record at 8 a.m. was the same. In Pueblo the minimum was 2 deg. lower than in Denver.

HEAVY SNOWSTORM IN NEBRASKA.

ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT. OMAHA (Neb.), Dec. 20.—Another heavy snowstorm is in progress in this State.

ICE GAVE WAY.

Four People Precipitated into Elliott Creek at Tonawanda.

ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.

TONAWANDA (N. Y.), Dec. 20.—Tonight on Elliott Creek the ice gave way and precipitated a party of four young people into the water. Three of them were drowned. The dead are: W. A. NEWMAN, aged 19.

MISS ROSE NEWMAN, aged 16. MICHAEL COLEMAN, aged 20. The fourth member of the party, Miss Lizzie Coleman, was rescued.

Billy Didn't See the Bull.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 20.—President Harrison of the Mexico, Cuernavaca and Pacific Railway, with a small party, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Bryan to Cuernavaca today. The party were greatly pleased with the magnificent view of the valley of Mexico from the summit of the mountain range. A reception was given at the handsome apartments of the American Club tonight to Mr. and Mrs. Bryan, and there was a large attendance of ladies and gentlemen. The statement that Bryan attended Sunday's bullfight.

Austrian Officers Attack Civilians.

BERLIN, Dec. 20.—The Arbeiter Zeitung reports an unprovoked attack by a party of officers, including Lieut. Chevalier d'Ansel and Lieut. Witschin, on a number of civilians in the Café Rappel at Krems, Austria. Three civilians were badly wounded with swords before the police stopped the fray. When asked to pay the bill, Lieut. d'Ansel struck the waiter with the sword. The officers were not arrested.

Funeral of Daudet.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—The funeral of Adolph Daudet, who died suddenly Thursday, was largely attended today. Emile Zola, who attended the funeral, was hoisted, owing to his support of the efforts made by the friends of Alexander Dreyfus to bring about a reopening of his case.

Fire at Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 20.—The establishment of Crook, Heron & Co., dealers in plumbers', machinists' and millers' supplies, occupying a seven-story building at Howard and Saratoga streets, was damaged \$50,000 by fire this evening. The loss is covered by insurance.

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Neck Dress 25c to \$1.50.
Suspenders 25c to \$2.50.
Underwear 50, 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2 to \$5.
Gloves \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.85.
Pajama Suits \$2, \$2.50 to \$5.
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FEDERATION OF LABOR PUTS IT UNDER THE BAN.

All Trades Unionists are Requested to Leave the National Guard at Once—Might Have to Shoot Fellow-Unionists.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—The Times-Herald says that trade unionists are requested by the Chicago Federation of Labor to leave the National Guard at once. This was the decision reached by the delegates at their weekly meeting.

It was said without contradiction that a union man could not consistently serve in the militia and incur the risk of being called out to shoot down fellow-trades-unionists who were on a strike for the betterment of their economic condition. So every trades unionist who is now a member of the Illinois National Guard will be requested to secure a discharge from military service at once.

WORK FOR TWENTY THOUSAND.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]

BRIDGEPORT (N. J.) Dec. 20.—Fires were put under the furnaces today in the Cohamsey, Monksbury and Jones window-glass factories, near here, and it is expected that the works will start up in a week or two, probably on January 2. It is expected that 20,000 persons, now idle, will be given employment.

MORE FACTORIES TO RESUME.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]

CINCINNATI, Dec. 20.—An Alexandria (Ind.) special says that all of the wool-cloth factories there will resume work January 1, giving employment to 1200 men.

WAGES CUT TEN PER CENT.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]

SUNCOCK (N. H.) Dec. 20.—Notices have been posted at the cotton mills, makers of print cloths, announcing a reduction of wages about ten per cent. January 1. The cut will affect superintendents and overseers and all employees, including nearly fifteen hundred operatives. The mill payroll amounts to about \$27,000. It is probable that the cut will be accepted.

NEARING ITS END.
Labor Congress Denounces the Gage Financial Bill.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
NASHVILLE (Tenn.) Dec. 20.—When the American Federation of Labor met today a resolution relative to legislation on the postal-savings-bank system was presented by the Committee on Resolutions. The resolution, which indorses the bill pending before Congress, favoring the establishment of postal savings banks with the clause relative to the national banks stricken out, was adopted.

A resolution expressing approval of the national movement of the purification of the primary elections was also adopted. That special instructions for the organization of journeymen bakers and their local union be issued; that efforts be made to organize the brick masons, who are as yet unorganized. Several resolutions relating to boycotts were also adopted.

CRITICISM OF COMBERS.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]

At the afternoon session the St. Louis convention and President Gomper's action continued to be discussed. James O'Connell said that he attended the convention, though he had not, in fact, signed the resolution. He also said that men who had been most active in attempting to disrupt the movement during the miners' strike were being paid out of funds contributed by the American Federation of Labor. In answer to a question, he said that none of the men he referred to had remained on the scene after injunctions were issued, but the organizers had remained.

Ernest Kretz said if anything threatened the federation at the St. Louis meeting it was the president's duty to have gone there and protected the federation.

J. C. Burnell then offered a resolution approving the reasons given by President Gomper for not attending the St. Louis convention which was adopted.

A strong discussion over the committee resolution indorsing independent political action and declaring against injunctions was participated in by McGuire, the author of the resolution, Kretz, Yarnell and Brenneck, and after defeating an amendment offered by Kretz the resolution was adopted.

"Resolved, that we declare ourselves most positively opposed to the Gage financial bill, recently introduced in Congress by the State of the Treasury. It is a measure that if adopted as a law, will all the more firmly rivet the gold standard on the people of the country and perpetuate its disastrous effects in every form."

"Resolved, that we pronounce the Gage bill an undisputed effort to retire our greenback currency and all government paper money with a view to the substitution of national bank notes in their stead, and thus fasten the national bank system for years upon the American people."

A resolution calling for the removal of the federation headquarters from

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Washington was reported unfavorably. Fraternal delegates from foreign countries were given privileges of voice and vote in convention.

An effort to change the time of the annual convention to the third Monday in September of each year was defeated.

The convention decided to increase the per capita tax to 2 cents, and the change goes into effect February 1, 1898.

An amendment to the constitution requiring officers hereafter to be elected on the last day of the convention was adopted. The convention will complete its business tomorrow and adjourn.

BUILDING TRADES COUNCIL.
Seathing Denunciation of the American Federation of Labor.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 20.—The first meeting of the National Building Trades Council was held in this city today, and was marked by a seathing denunciation of the American Federation of Labor for having passed a resolution at Nashville, opposing the formation of the national council. The Federation opposed the new organization, as tending to create a further division in the ranks of labor. The call for the convention was issued by the Building Trades Council of St. Louis. Fifty-four accredited delegates responded.

The session was executive, reporters being refused admittance. It is said, however, that the attitude of the Federation of Labor came in for a great deal of discussion and denunciation. A resolution was adopted deploring the action of the federation as indicating a willingness "to injure a kindred organization at the time it most needs friends." An organization will be perfected tomorrow.

At today's session resolutions were adopted denouncing the bill before Congress to prevent the pooling of railroads, and favoring the proposed postal-savings bank system.

FREIGHT RAIL AWAY.
Crashed into Another Train and Many Were Hurt.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
ALTOONA (Pa.) Dec. 20.—A freight train of twenty-one loaded cars, traveling down the mountain to this city today, became unmanageable in consequence of the slippery condition of the tracks, made the twelve miles from Gallitz into Altoona in some minutes, and crashed into a freight train in the yards here, directly in front of the passenger station. About fifty cars were completely broken up, and the Holidayburg passenger train, which was standing on the track outside the passenger shed, was thrown over on its side.

The engineer and fireman of the runaway train were helped from the cab of the wrecked locomotive, and both were able to walk away. Three other trainmen were taken to the hospital. One of them is said to be fatally injured. A passenger named Corbin is still unaccounted for, and is thought to be under the wreckage.

S. Kuster of Hagerstown, Ind., who was accompanying a carload of poultry, was fatally injured. Broken poultry and Turner are still missing.

THE UNION PACIFIC.
C. S. Mellen Believed to Be the Man to Preside Over It.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
ST. PAUL, Dec. 20.—The Dispatch today says:

The denial of the published report by Dr. Lamer that C. S. Mellen will become the new president of the Union Pacific is not credited by railroad men in this city. It is insisted that Mr. Mellen has been offered the presidency; that a salary considerably in excess of that received by him has been offered as an inducement to undertake the task of placing the Union Pacific on a basis similar to the organization of the Northern Pacific.

"It will require several years of hard work to place the Union Pacific on the basis desired by those who recently came into control. Mr. Mellen's previous service with the company, coupled with his ability, make him the most fitting man to take up the work. General Manager Hendrick, Chief Counsel Bunn and General Traffic Manager Hannaford returned from New York today, but they declined to discuss the probability of a change in the presidency of the Northern Pacific."

NO CIVIL SERVICE IN HIS.
Surveyor-General at Boise, Idaho, in Open Revolt.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
BOISE (Idaho) Dec. 20.—Surveyor-General Joseph Perrault is in revolt against civil-service law and the interior Department. He has been at war with the civil-service regulations ever since he went into office. When he went in he chopped off the heads of nearly all of the clerks, and the application of these for reinstatement is still pending. Two or three of the men resigned. Mr. Perrault has now received notice that Frank C. Whitthorn has been transferred by the Interior Department from the Surveyor-General's office in the State of Washington to the office here, under the civil rules. Mr. Perrault has notified the Interior Department that he will not permit Whitthorn to take a place in his office. He does not propose, he says, to have any employees sent to him under civil-service rules or any other rules.

THE BOILER EXPLODED.
Three Men Killed and Another Fatally Injured.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
EVERGREEN (Ala.) Dec. 20.—Late Saturday afternoon the boiler of the engine of the Bear Creek Mill Company burst, killing three men instantly, fatally injuring one other and wounding three more. Two of the killed are: JACK CLIPPER, MONROE SULLIVAN.

Conflicts in Prague Barracks.
LONDON, Dec. 20.—A dispatch from Vienna to the Daily Telegraph reports there have been sanguinary conflicts at several barracks in Prague during the last few days between Czechs and German soldiers. Twenty-five men have been severely wounded. The authorities confiscated the Czech newspapers that reported the affrays.

Seaman Carter Convicted.
NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Seaman Philip F. Carter, who, on June 30 last, with a bayonet, killed his shipmate and superior officer, Thomas F. Kenney on board the battleship Indiana at the Brooklyn navy yard, was today, convicted of murder in the first degree, the jury fixing the penalty at imprisonment for life.

No Torture at Mont Juich.
LONDON, Dec. 20.—According to a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Madrid, the Spanish government has issued a semi-official notice stating that the official investigation disproves the alleged tortures of anarchists at Mont Juich fortress, and that there is no ground for a revision of sentences.

Stricken With Paralysis.
BUFFALO (N. Y.) Dec. 20.—Hon. Charles Daniels, who for twenty-eight years served on the Supreme Court bench, and also represented the Thirty-third Congress, District No. 2, was stricken with paralysis this afternoon. His doctors say his death is only a question of a short time.

CIVIL-SERVICE INQUIRY.

Commissioner of Pensions Evans Before Senate Committee.
[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Commissioner of Pensions Evans today appeared before the Senate Committee on Civil Service and Retrenchment, which is conducting an investigation into the operation of the civil-service system. Mr. Evans was questioned at length by Senators Lodge and Pritchard about the civil-service system, and its application to the Pension Office force. He expressed the opinion that the law did not accomplish the results its friends insisted that it did. The best men in his office were those who had come in under the so-called "spoils system." They did their duty and expected to hold their positions by so doing.

The commissioner believed that the head of a bureau was in the best qualified position to pass upon the efficiency of a clerk, and that he ought not to be hampered in removing a clerk for inefficiency. If permitted to do so, he could remove at least one hundred clerks from his office without affecting the efficiency of the force. He thought it would be desirable to have a definite tenure of office, not exceeding ten years, so that every year about 10 per cent. of new blood could be infused into the force. This would rid the country of the abuses resulting from some clerks remaining in office too long. The commissioner thought some reform would be necessary to be made in the country would have the infliction of a civil pension list. He believed it was a mistake to include in the classified service clerks of divisions and all others receiving salaries exceeding \$1400.

"SOONERS" GETTING READY.
Preparing to Occupy Indian Lands in Oklahoma.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Interior Department officials are watching the operations of land-boomers who, it is alleged, are making arrangements to enter the lands of the Wichita, Iowa, Apache and Comanche Indian reservations in Oklahoma.

A treaty for the opening of the lands is now pending before Congress. Some of the literati of the persons who are working up the "boom" has been received at the department, in which commissions of membership are offered for sale at the rate of \$5 each. They have been scattered broadcast throughout the country. The agents are said to receive \$2 for each member of the "sooners" they enroll.

The opinion is expressed at the department that the persons behind the scheme have no idea of being permitted to occupy the lands, but that they are after interesting a large number of persons in the matter, cease their operations. No particular endeavor for the proposed "sooners" is indicated in the pamphlets received at the department. The Indian agents have been warned of the proposed movement, and have been directed to call on the military assist in preventing the forcible occupation of the lands.

Commissioner Jones of the Indian office has recently returned from a visit to the Indian country, and is disposed to give little credit to the probability of an invasion of the lands, and says after an investigation of the reports that there is nothing to be feared.

WESTERN RATES.
Freight Officials Wondering How They Can Restore Them.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—The freight officials of the western roads are becoming a trifle apprehensive regarding their agreement to restore and maintain rates at the first of the year. They will be no difficulty about the restoration part of the programme, but the maintenance of the rates is what is troubling them. They have learned that the same conditions that compelled them to pull out of the competition between Chicago and Colorado points to meet the competition via the Gulf ports will be in effect after the date which they have set for the maintenance of the rates, and they are wondering how they will be able to get the traffic if they do not meet the rates.

They have determined, however, to give the matter a trial, and if the rates cannot be maintained after the opening of the year, a meeting of the association lines will be called and measures taken for the adoption of a schedule of rates that will enable them to get and hold their traffic between Chicago and Colorado points against any competition.

FEWER IDLE MEN.
Improvement Shown in the Labor Field of New York.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—According to the World, of 297,500 workers in this city, the records show that 92,075 are out of work. Last year at this time 125,375 were idle.

Ernest Boehm, secretary of the Central Labor Union, estimates that fully 100,000 persons are in enforced idleness now. This estimate is probably very near the truth, for if to the 92,000 shown to be idle by the World's figures be added the many clerks, book-keepers, accountants, etc., who are seeking work, the total would surely reach 100,000.

Comparisons show that so far as the number of unemployed is concerned, the situation is a marked improvement over that of a year ago. More men by the thousands are at work. This is particularly true of men engaged in the building trades. The increase of employment has come for the most part to skilled labor.

POPE'S HEALTH EXCELLENT.
Bishop Emard Had a Talk With the Holy Father.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Bishop Emard of Valley Field, Province of Quebec, who arrived here on the La Normandie from Havre, today described his visit to Pope Leo.

"The Pope is in excellent health," he said. "I had an audience of an hour and ten minutes with him, and his vivacity was as great as ever. He asked questions incessantly. He seems to know everywhere, and follows the events of the world with avidity."

If the Pope discussed with Bishop Emard the Manitoba school question and other questions affecting the state and church in Canada, the bishop was careful not to reveal the fact.

UNSETTLED CHILE.
Impossible for the Government to Form a New Ministry.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
VALPARAISO (Chile) Dec. 20.—Politics in Chile are sadly mixed. Since the resignation of the Cabinet, which was due to the coalition of the government Liberals, the Conservatives and Balmacedists, there have been several attempts to form a new one, but all attempts in this direction have gone for naught. The President has had several conferences with the leaders of the parties, but so far as can be learned he has arrived at no decision as to whom he will select to form his ministry.

A big mass meeting of workmen was held here to protest against the government's policy of refusing all offers to build more railway cars and locomotives at home. The speaker demanded that such work be done in order to give employment to those who need it to support themselves and families. A resolution, embodying the sense of the meeting, was forwarded to the government in Santiago.

MEXICAN DOLLARS STOLEN
Steamer City of Washington Loses Part of Her Cargo.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The reported robbery of some \$3000 in Mexican money from the steamer City of Washington, during her last trip from Vera Cruz to this port, was confirmed today. The City of Washington belongs to the New York and Cuba Mail Steamship Company. A. G. Smith, secretary of the company, said today:

"The City of Washington reached her pier last Wednesday, and immediately began discharging her cargo. Among other things there was a consignment of 100 cases of Mexican coin for a firm in London. Each case represented about \$3000 Mexican money, equal to about \$1200 in our money, and weighed 200 pounds. On counting it was found there were only 102 cases.

"The only keys to the strong room were in the hands of Capt. Gurley and his first mate, and as no violence had been used in entering the place, a skeleton key must have been used."

Has Had Enough of Kansas.
TOPEKA (Kan.) Dec. 20.—The Travelers' Insurance Company has notified the Insurance Commissioner that it will withdraw all its business from Kansas at once, instructing its agents to return their blanks and stationery. The company gives as its reason the peculiar conduct of Commissioner McNall, and "to avoid further trouble."

The Travelers' last year received about \$4,000 in premiums from Kansas, and paid about \$15,000 in losses.

Lieutenant-Governor to Resign.
MONTREAL, Dec. 20.—The Star announced tonight that the Hon. Lieut.-Gov. Adolphe Chapleau will resign shortly and make an extended tour of Europe. It is understood that this trip will be in behalf of the government and in connection with the Paris exposition. The present political crisis is said to be due to the resignation of Sir Adolphe Chapleau in office.

North Texas Frozen Stiff.
DALLAS (Tex.) Dec. 20.—North Texas suffered the worst snow and sleet storm Saturday and Sunday in many years. Dallas was completely isolated all of Sunday, and communication with the outside world is today only partially restored. The railroad trains were badly delayed, all trains being from two to six hours late. Freight traffic was at a complete standstill.

Internal Revenue Collections.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The monthly statement of the collections of internal revenue shows that for the month of November last the receipts amounted to \$13,953,296, an increase, as compared with November last year, of \$1,257,357. For the last five months, however, there is shown to have been a decrease of \$5912.

Union Labor Shot Her.
TROY (N. Y.) Dec. 20.—In a collision today between strikers and the non-union men who succeeded them in the West Side foundry at Colonie, a suburb of Watervliet, several shots were fired into the house of Joseph Rohrer, fired by union men. Rohrer's wife was shot in the neck and probably fatally wounded.

Life Sentence for a Young Boy.
BARBOURVILLE (Ky.) Dec. 20.—Isom Lawson, the eighteen-year-old boy who murdered his father in Brush Creek, this county, was given a life sentence this afternoon. Lawson killed his parent, a minister, by striking him on the head with a hoe, because the father had corrected him for some misdeeds.

Sovereigns from Australia.
SYDNEY (N. S. W.) Dec. 20.—The Oceanic Steamship Company's ship Alameda, Capt. Van Otterdoff, sailed via Auckland for San Francisco. She carries about 100,000 sovereigns or \$500,000.

The Times

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY.

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, Los Angeles, Dec. 20.—[Reported by George E. Franklin, Local Forecast Official.] At 5 o'clock a.m. the barometer registered 30.14; at 5 p.m., 30.08. Thermometer for the corresponding hours showed 40 deg. and 50 deg. Relative humidity, 5 a.m., 26 per cent.; 5 p.m., 32 per cent. Wind, 5 a.m., northeast, velocity 5 miles; 5 p.m., southwest, velocity 4 miles. Maximum temperature, 58 deg.; minimum temperature, 35 deg. Barometer reduced to sea level.

DRY BULB TEMPERATURE.
 Los Angeles 40
 San Francisco 38
 Portland 28
 Amarillo 26
 Kansas City 22
 Bismarck 14

*Indicates temperature below zero.

Weather Conditions.—Very cold weather continues throughout the country west of the Rocky Mountains and the extreme temperatures which have prevailed for several days past are moderating. The temperature ranges from zero to 14 deg. below in the Northwest States, and freezing weather continues from the Rocky Mountains eastward. Freezing temperatures are reported from the interior of California, and from the vicinity of Point Conception and Cape Mendocino. On the Coast elsewhere the temperature approaches the freezing point. General, and in many instances, killing frosts, are reported from the California stations, except in the extreme south.

Forecast.—Local forecast for Los Angeles and vicinity: Continued fair, cold weather tonight and Tuesday, with frost, heavy in low grounds.

WEATHER FORECAST.
 SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—For Southern California: Fair Tuesday, continued cold weather, light northerly winds. Probably heavy frosts Tuesday morning; smudging necessary.

ALL ALONG THE LINE.
 Webb's \$30 evening organ again asserts that Attorney Gibson has retired from the school-board case and also that he will soon resign from the police board. Neither statement is true. Mr. Gibson will go East, but will return and assist in the further investigation of school scandals.

School Director Bartlett has not attended the meetings of the board and has not heard any of the evidence against Webb, but he turned up just when the defense opens its case and immediately announces his intention to vote on the question of his partner's guilt or innocence. Probably when Bartlett's turn as a defendant comes, Webb will try to reciprocate by acting as jurymen in his case. And Bartlett's turn will come.

"Lord, how this world is given to lying!" According to Walter L. Webb every man and woman who has testified before the Board of Education is a perjurer. It is said to principals, teachers, janitors and citizens hitherto reputed honorable join in a conspiracy of lying to injure the good name of the immaculate Webb. The grand jury should look into this matter, for surely somebody is a liar.

One of The Times' correspondents in the citrus-fruit section who has been making observations of frost at the lowest points at which oranges are grown in that district reports that the mercury on Sunday night, in an exposed thermometer, reached for a brief spell the lowest point touched to this date. During Sunday the mercury did not get above 50 deg., which led to apprehensions for the night. In the evening dense clouds hung over the land, and up to 8 o'clock the mercury fell to 40 deg. The clouds then dispersed and the mercury rose to 50 deg., though it was not until 11 o'clock that the freezing point was reached, while the night before that point had been reached at 9 o'clock. This shortening of the duration of the frost by the clouds has doubtless proven of immense benefit to the orange crop. The temperature at various hours as far as observed, was as follows: Midnight, 29 deg.; 1:30 a.m., Monday, 28 deg.; 2:30 a.m., 26 deg.; sunrise, 24 deg. It is not believed that the mercury at any time fell below the latter figure, which was probably the "snapper" which often comes just before sunrise. The temperature of the interior of oranges exposed on the trees was found to be 28 deg., the same as was found on a previous night, when the mercury stood for hours at 26 deg. As these observations were made with a view to learning the conditions of the fruit under the worst exposure, and as the observations seem to indicate that 28 deg. is about the point at which orange juice congeals, instead of 32, as with water, it does not seem that any great damage was done by the frost. In fact, the frost of the preceding night, when the temperature was 2 deg. higher, but when there was freezing temperature for eleven hours, was more destructive. The point at which the observations were made is believed, from the history of past frosts, to be one or two degrees higher than the most undesirable orchards in Southern California, which would indicate that in such places, for a brief period, the mercury must have touched 22 or 23 deg. On the other hand, within a half mile from the point of observation, at a higher altitude, the lowest record was 26 deg. at sunrise, and little or no damage could have resulted, while the great bulk of the orange orchards of Southern California are at a still higher elevation above frost channels, and were entirely exempt from damage.

Some Things are Impossible.
 Ninth Ward Citizen. I understand you are going to hold a special election in the Seventh Ward to elect a successor to School Director Adams, who has been expelled from the Board of Education.
 Seventh Ward Citizen. We are.
 Ninth Ward Citizen. I'll gamble on it that you'll elect a worse man in his place.
 Seventh Ward Citizen. Impossible. Walter L. Webb lives in the Ninth Ward, and is ineligible.

In Great Distress.
 W. M. Ware has been in the County Jail for seven months, and is likely to go to State's prison for a term of years. His wife and four children, the eldest only 6 years of age, live at No. 620 Maple avenue, and are said to be in great distress. They need fuel and provisions. Ware, who cannot help them, pleads for assistance for his suffering wife and children.

An Original Nightmare.
 A Mississippi paper says that a negro living near Newton, who heard his dogs barking one night found that they had killed a remarkable animal. It had a head like a bulldog, ears like a mule, legs like a duck and a tail like an elephant, and it was long-bodied like a weasel.

The Playhouses

LOS ANGELES THEATER. As a study in dialect the play "Ole Olsen" has considerable interest, as a melodrama is a cheap, tawdry, and commonplace to a degree, so much so that one cannot but wonder why Ben Hendricks, to whom is given the character of the Swede gardener for interpretation, does not get somebody to write him a play worthy his talents. To be sure, the audiences which flock to the theater to witness the things that go on in "Ole Olsen" appear to enjoy the playing of horse that goes on and the bathos that envelops it as with a garment is taken in with gasps of supreme satisfaction, but for all that the play, as a play, is a dreadful specimen of cheap playwrighting, and it is only saved from utter disaster by the extremely clever way in which Mr. Hendricks portrays the Swedish immigrant who has just come over. The company in support of the star this season is about the same as heretofore. Miss Hussey sings the same Irish songs that she did the first year the play was seen here, except that her voice is considerably more powerful and more nerve-racking than heretofore, and her dancing as spicy of the old sod as ever. C. F. Lorraine has a very deep basso voice, with which he explores numerous familiar ballads in a rather mechanical fashion, and as for the rest of the people they are as good as the piece gives them a chance to be, which is only so so.

The engagement closed with last evening's performance, having been given its first presentation on Sunday night. The houses have been so large in the upper portions as to be top-heavy, and, as already remarked, the audiences have been taken to the quaint Swedish gentleman warmly, and applaud the threadbare scenes and incidents of a melodramatic character with indiscriminate zeal. Mr. Hendricks has a fine capacity for character impersonation, and in a fitting vehicle will be able to hold public favor for a long time to come.

An advertising feature of "Ole Olsen" is John Lawson, "the Terrible Swede" bicycle rider, who appears between the acts, but that has nothing to do with the play, and is merely an interpolation. He is a lithe, sinewy young foreigner, who makes the wheels of a stationary bicycle go with a record-breaking swiftness, and also does a half mile on his recording machine with some novel electrical effects that are given on a dark stage. A couple of local riders were introduced to show the difference between a master of the wheel and the ordinary racing man.

ORPHEUM. The big feature of the bill this week in vaudeville is Paulinetti and Piquo, a team of gymnasts, who are artists par excellence. Their acts are all clean-cut, dexterous and many of them entirely new. One of the cleverest bits in this act is the accomplishment of a performer in balancing himself on two billiard cues, using the ordinary spherical ivory as the hand hold, these resting on the small end of the cue the acrobat raising himself from the floor of the stage unaided. This same performer—whether Paulinetti or Piquo one is unable to determine from the programme—does some astonishing acts of turning on the horizontal bar that quite surpass anything before seen here in that line. The clown of the team fills in the resting space very acceptably with the usual comical falls and fake feats.

Another new arrival is the chic and shapely French chanteuse, Pepita Delara, who sings a number of ditties in her native tongue and one in English with a piquant style that is very fetching. The biograph scenes continue to be a popular feature, a number being presented that were exhibited last week and in addition a view of an observation train with a load of passengers on the way to the college boat races; the charge of a troop of cavalry; a scene at the chutes, etc. etc.

The other features of the bill are all hold-overs from last week, and comprise Fred Brown, the clever rag time dancer; Harry Edson and his wonderful trick dog; the Clemence trio in a potpourri of new songs, the best of which is an stanza of Robyn's "Answer," by the accomplished contralto, Don Cann; Sato, the excruciatingly funny juggler, and Stanley and Jackson, the "Before the Fall" duo, in which Mr. Stanley does his imitation of the flagellate in such a manner as to deceive the very elect.

The house was much warmer last night in appreciation of the performers than was the temperature, which was conducive to pneumonia and kindred diseases. With grade oil at 30 cents a barrel it would seem as if it might be possible to heat up the theaters a bit on nights when the orange-growers are studying their orchards, but perhaps that is too much to expect.

The same bill every night and the usual matinees.

THE BURBANK. A Chinese play that is clever enough to win unstinted applause from the upper ten of Chinatown was put on last night at the Burbank, and will run all the week. It is the first production in Los Angeles of Charles Ulrich's spectacular Chinese play "A Celestial Maiden," and is given under the personal direction of Thomas D. Bates. The staging of the piece is unusually good, particularly in the second act, which shows a joshhouse with all its gorgeous trappings. Even the music was written especially for this play by Lee Johnson, and is a quiet and most effective mingling of occidental melody with the rhythmic clangor of the Orient. The spirit of the thing has been caught so completely by the orchestra that the music played throughout the piece is bizarre without being obtrusive or grotesque, and that between acts sounds like a whole Chinese New Year's with a brass band in the distance. The plot of the play is exciting enough to stir even the phlegmatic Mongolians to some degree of animation, and true enough to life to give the white people a good deal of insight into the methods of the highlanders and the deadly feuds that exist between the rival clans. The bland scene of the heaven for the "white devils" is evidenced at every turn by bits of smooth deception in the presence of the dominant race, and by certain glaring inadequacies and inconsistencies in the laws of the land, when the wily highlanders are planning some particularly juicy bit of dexterity. The venality and ineffectiveness of the police in San Francisco Chinatown are made the subject of some very shrewd hits, and even the trustful missionary does not entirely escape. The play is founded on a story which is entirely too common here in California. A powerful big man, with a plant and villainous gang of hatchet men at his call, abducts the betrothed of a young merchant, and brings her to San Francisco, and keeps her a close prisoner at his house. She is accidentally discovered by her lover, and his attempt to rescue her brings down the wrath of the villainous gang. The two meet accidentally at the joshhouse, where the girl has been brought by her captor, and in a desperate struggle, the merchant is wounded. He is taken to an underground opium den, and there kept in close confinement until he is well enough to give his enemy the pleasure of killing him over again. The plot to assassinate him is frustrated by a slave girl, who has been cruelly ill-used by the highlander, and by the treachery of the leader of the hatch-

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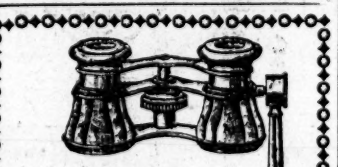
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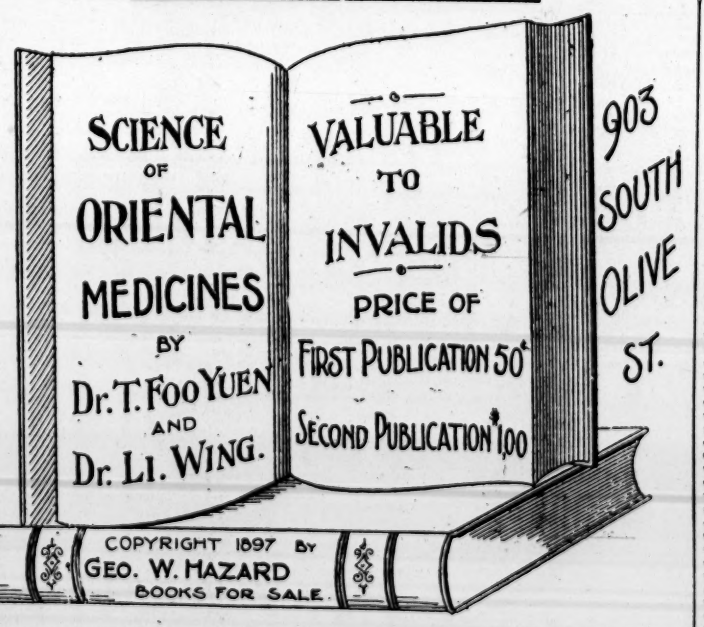
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(THE PUBLIC SERVICE.)

FIRE-HOSE AWARD.

COUNCIL ADOPTS THE FIRE BOARD'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

City Auditor's Annual Report—Date of Seventh Ward Election May Be Changed.

THEY HAD A HIGH OLD TIME.

CIRCUMSTANCES LEADING UP TO THE KILLING OF BOWMAN.

Beer and Fast Women Cut an Important Figure—Mrs. Bowman on the Stand—Crandall Will Testify.

The protracted deadlock in the City Council over the fire-hose award was broken yesterday. The four Councilmen who fought the attempt to give the entire contract to the Fursey Company, insisting that the Council should approve the award of the Fire Commissioners, have scored a signal victory. For weeks they were subjected to every influence that the Webb-Hellman combination could bring to bear upon them, but they refused to yield. Yesterday the situation was completely changed. By an almost unanimous vote the Council decided to award the contract in accordance with the recommendations of the Fire Commissioners. Some question has arisen concerning the date of the Seventh-ward special election. It is possible that the Council may be obliged to postpone the election in order to comply with the primary-election law.

The City Auditor's annual report has been filed.

The widow of Jack Bowman testified yesterday for the prosecution at the trial of Frank D. Crandall for the murder of Bowman at Ballona in September last. She stated that the day preceding the tragedy Crandall had threatened to "fix" her husband. There were several important witnesses who testified to the quarrel between Bowman and Crandall two days before the former's death and the shooting upon the beach at Ballona. The whole affair seems to have been the outcome of a debate in which Crandall and fast women played the leading parts.

AT THE CITY HALL.

DEADLOCK BROKEN.

FIRE-HOSE CONTRACT AWARDED BY THE COUNCIL.

Waning of the Webb-Hellman Influence in City Hall Affairs. Possible Complications in the Seventh Ward Special Election.

The deadlock in the City Council over the fire-hose award has at last been broken, and the action taken yesterday betokens the waning of the Jim Hellman influence in city politics. By an almost unanimous vote the Council decided to approve the last award made by the Fire Commissioners, giving 1000 feet of hose to each of five bidders, viz., the California Hardware Company, Harper, Reynolds & Co., the Fursey Company, the Union Hardware Company and Cass, Smurr & Co.

This result marks the conclusion of a long fight. The contract for supplying the city with 1000 feet of hose has been twice advertised, and the Fire Commissioners have twice reported upon the bids received, recommending a distribution of the contract among several of the bidders. Their first award gave 2000 feet to the Fursey Company. This award was not considered satisfactory by the Council. When the City Clerk was instructed to readvertise. When the second set of bids was opened, it was found that the Fursey Company had reduced its bid from 80 cents to 75 cents per foot, all of the other firms whose hose was considered adhering to their original bid of 80 cents.

The second award of the Fire Commissioners divided the contract equally between five firms, of which the Fursey Company was one. When the award was submitted to the Council, five of the Councilmen voted to reject the recommendation and give the entire contract to the Fursey Company. This was done, but the majority found its action nullified by the minority. The charter requires the assent of two-thirds of the entire Council to award a contract, and despite the fact that only one more vote was needed, it was not forthcoming. School Director Webb took a hand in the affair and made a great effort to bring one of the minority members into line. He proved unsuccessful. Jim Hellman also brought his influence to bear upon the minority, but they were stubborn. They insisted that Hellman's company should not receive the entire award unless it could be shown that the hose was at least equal to the other brands offered. On this point Hellman never offered to produce any evidence, for the excellent reason that his hose was notoriously of inferior grade.

The deadlock in the Council remained until yesterday, when the Council finally decided to adopt the award recommended by the Fire Commissioners. This result is highly significant, for it marks the decadence of the Hellman-Webb influence in City Hall politics.

The action taken yesterday was the immediate result of a communication received from the Fire Commissioners, calling attention to the need of supplying the department with new hose. Baker moved that the clerk be instructed to readvertise for bids. Blanchard made a motion that the Council rescind the action whereby the entire contract was awarded to the Fursey Company. This motion was carried, despite some vigorous kicking from the Populist Councilmen from the Eighth Ward. The motion was then made and carried that the Council approve the award of the Fire Commissioners dividing the contract among five of the bidders. The award was then made from the Council chamber when this motion was carried. The vote stood 7 to 1.

CITY ASKED TO CONTRIBUTE.

Max Meyberg appeared in behalf of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association to ask the Council to contribute toward the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the discovery of gold in California. The anniversary occurs on January 24, and Mr. Meyberg stated that the same day would witness the opening of the permanent exhibit of home products. He asked that the Council appropriate \$500 to aid in the celebration. The request was referred to the Finance Committee. Later in the day the committee reported that the Council should not make a contribution from the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association. Mr. Meyberg's request was refused.

ALLEY FIGHT ENDED.

The protracted squabble over the

proposed alley in the block bounded by Fourth, Fifth, Hill and Broadway was brought to a close. The property-owners interested have been disputing vigorously for many weeks as to the width and precise location of the alley. An ordinance was adopted yesterday providing for an alley twenty feet wide. It is understood that the warring property-owners have agreed to accept this decision without further opposition.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT.

The City Attorney presented ordinances as follows:

An ordinance abandoning an alley in block 19 of Newell's & Spencer's subdivision of Sunset Park as public street.

An ordinance ordering the work of and appointing commissioners for the widening of Jefferson street between Vermont avenue and the west city limits.

An ordinance ordering the work of and appointing commissioners for the widening of the alley from Sixth to Seventh streets between Spring street and Broadway.

Also an ordinance dedicating portions of Sunset Park as public street.

The last of these ordinances was referred to the Park Commissioners. The others were passed.

SEVENTH WARD ELECTION.

Some discussion arose over the special election to be held in the Seventh Ward for the purpose of filling the school board vacancy. The City Attorney stated that the validity of the law has been widely questioned, and he advised not to advise the Council as to the necessity of complying with the law. He suggested, as a means of dispensing with the cumbersome machinery of the primaries, that the nominations might be made wholly by petition.

Later in the day the City Clerk was instructed to publish the ordinance passed last week, providing for the election.

Some complications threaten to arise if the Council adheres to the date of election fixed in this ordinance. The new primary election law provides that in all elections six days must elapse between the ordinance providing for the election and the election itself. This ordinance was passed December 17, and fixes the date of election as February 10, so that less than the required time interval there will not be sufficient time to hold primaries as provided by the new law, should this be desired. Consequently it would be a violation of the law to hold the election on the date fixed in the ordinance, and it might be successfully assailed.

The ordinance was passed during the absence from the city of the City Attorney, and it is quite probable that the Council may reconsider its action.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

Ordinances were presented by the City Engineer and adopted, as follows: Final ordinance changing and establishing the grade of Grattan street from Ninth street to a point 139 feet north of Tenth street; final ordinance establishing the grade of Virgil avenue from Fourth street to Geneva street; final ordinance establishing the grade of Geneva street from Hoover street to the terminus of Pecan street; ordinance changing and establishing the grade of Date street from Elizabeth street to the angle in Date street, 162.10 feet northerly from Quierolo street.

The City Engineer also recommended that the proceedings to curb and sidewalk the west side of Figueroa street from Fourth street to Fifth street be abandoned, for the reason that there are proceedings under way to change the grade of said street.

DOWNEY AVENUE PROTEST.

The City Engineer also reported as follows: "In regard to the protest against the improvement of Downey avenue between the Downey-avenue bridge and Mission road, which said protest has been referred to me by the honorable Board of Public Works, for investigation, I find as follows:

"Total frontage on avenue 14,422.90
A majority of which is 7,211.50
Represented on face of protest 10,138.00

"The following names appear both on the petition for the work and on the protest against the same:

Name	Feet
Mrs. F. E. Bridges	135
E. T. Brickett	55
E. T. Brickett	55
E. W. Clark	55
H. W. Chase	150
H. T. Gage	110
W. Horton	50
West (twice)	50
C. M. Hayden	50
E. Hansell	50
Isabella Lacy, by William Lacy	139
C. A. Neil	138.5
Mrs. E. Shee	40
Mrs. Amelia Scott	40
M. P. T. Wagstaff	115

Total represented on both petition and protest 1,412.5

"There are duplicate signatures as follows:

Name	Feet
J. M. Bacon	165
Fred Chard	60
Sans Souci Hotel and Park Company and Barones Rogiat	600
J. N. Smalley	55
Mary E. Shoemaker	300
Gertrude Newton or Mrs. S. C. Newton	200

Total 1,380

"There are signed for by agents without authority shown as follows:

Name	Feet
Los Angeles Railway Company by J. J. Akin, superintendent	275
Francisco Jesurun, by W. J. Brodbeck	216
L. A. Pomeroy, by Watts Ross, Agt.	110
M. Thornton for trustees Bradbury estate	165
J. J. Burrey, agent	55
Mrs. Emily Snyder, guardian of Craig minors, by J. Snyder	65

Total signed by agents 886

"I have also a statement signed by Mrs. Jane Schieffelin to the effect that she signed the petition for the protest, and that she signed the protest through a misunderstanding.

Mrs. Jane Schieffelin represents 110

"I have also a communication from Mrs. Sara J. Alton to the effect that she purchased the property at the corner of Downey and Grattan streets, and that she signed the petition for the protest, and that she signed the protest through a misunderstanding.

Albertha J. Denis signed for 55

"In addition to the above the Los Angeles Terminal Railway Company represents a total of 314.5 feet, which is able to account for 303 feet.

A difference of 57

SUMMARY.

Name	Feet
Name on both petition and protest	1,412.5
Duplicate signatures	1,380
Signed by agents	886
Mrs. Jane Schieffelin	110
Albertha J. Denis	55
L. A. Terminal Railway (difference)	57

"The above summary (with the exception of the signatures by agents) represents a total of 314.5 feet, which should be deducted from the face of the protest as follows:

Name	Feet
Total feet represented on face of protest	10,138
Deduct	9,823.5
Balance	7,182.5

"This is thirty-three feet less than a majority, and is subject to still further deduction by reason of signatures by agents who have no authority. As to this latter point I am unable to decide.

The hearing of the Downey-avenue protest had been set for 2 p.m. and at that hour a number of the protesters appeared and expressed their objections. After a protracted hearing the Council referred the matter back to the Board of Public Works, and postponed further hearing for one week.

OTHER PROTESTS.

Two other protests were reported upon by the City Engineer, as follows: "In regard to the protest against the improvement of Cortez street between Belmont and Lake Shore avenues, I find as follows: Total frontage on street 135.47 feet, a majority of which is 69.73 feet. The protest therefore represented a majority of the frontage. The protest was accordingly sustained in the City Council.

"In regard to the protest against the improvement of Avenue 41 between Pasadena avenue and Midland street, I find as follows: Total frontage on avenue 856.50 feet, a majority of which is 404.41 feet. Represented on face of protest 41.40. The protest does not therefore represent a majority of the frontage. This protest was denied.

BIDS FOR STREET WORK.

The following proposals were received, opened and referred to the Board of Public Works:

To improve Avenue 41 from Pasadena avenue to Midland street, 135.47 feet, 14 1/2 cents per lineal foot; curb, 14 1/2 cents per lineal foot; grading and graveling, 59 cents per lineal foot; curb, 14 cents per lineal foot.

French & Reed proposed: Grading and graveling 85 cents per lineal foot; curb, 17 cents per lineal foot; gutters, 10 cents per lineal foot.

Charles Stansbury proposed: Grading and graveling, 74 cents per lineal foot; curb, 15 cents per lineal foot.

R. H. McCray proposed: Grading and graveling, 83 cents per lineal foot; curb, 17 cents per lineal foot; gutters, 12 cents per lineal foot; sidewalk, 9 1/2 cents per square foot.

To improve Thirty-second street from Main street to Maple avenue:

Charles Stansbury proposed: Grading and graveling, 85 cents per lineal foot; curb, 29 cents per lineal foot; sidewalk, 9 1/2 cents per square foot.

C. W. Shaffer proposed: Grading and graveling, 85 cents per lineal foot; curb, 27 cents per lineal foot; sidewalk, 8 1/2 cents per square foot.

R. H. McCray proposed: Grading and graveling, 69 cents per lineal foot; curb, 28 cents per lineal foot; sidewalk, 8 1/2 cents per square foot.

Irvin Linson proposed: Grading and graveling, 77 cents per lineal foot; curb, 28 cents per lineal foot; sidewalk, 8 1/2 cents per square foot.

Tryon & Convery proposed: Grading and graveling, 80 cents per lineal foot; curb, 29 cents per lineal foot; sidewalk, 9 1/2 cents per square foot.

French & Reed proposed: Grading and graveling, 79 cents per lineal foot; curb, 29 cents per lineal foot; gutter, 12 cents per lineal foot; sidewalk, 9 1/2 cents per square foot.

Robert Sherer proposed: Grading and graveling, 55 cents per lineal foot; curb, 29 cents per lineal foot; sidewalk, 9 1/2 cents per square foot.

J. S. Haigler proposed: Grading and graveling, 72 cents per lineal foot; curb, 28 cents per lineal foot; sidewalk, 8 1/2 cents per square foot.

Afternoon Session.

City Engineer's Opinion of the Adobe Road Boulevard.

In the course of the afternoon session the City Engineer appeared before the Council with a request that an extra appropriation of \$150 be made for the purpose of surveying Buena Vista street preparatory to widening it to 100 feet.

The City Engineer said that the original appropriation of \$275, which was expected to cover both the Buena Vista street and the Adobe road surveys, had been entirely consumed by the latter. He took occasion to say that the Pasadena boulevard would not be built over the Adobe road during the life of any member of the Council. He found innumerable obstacles and difficulties, and he expressed the opinion that the expense of this route would prove an insuperable objection to it. As to the money already expended for the survey, he said "The Council might just as well have taken it and thrown it into the sewer."

The Council voted to allow the additional appropriation asked.

MATEO-STREET FRANCHISE.

Albert Kinney appeared before the Council to ask an extension of time within which to electrify the Mateo-street car line. Unavoidable delays had occurred, he stated, so that the company had not yet been able to make the expected improvements.

President Silver asked whether the proposed extension was not needlessly long. Mr. Kinney said that he hoped to have the line ready in a short time, but delays might again arise.

The Council granted the desired extension.

A prolonged discussion arose over the advisability of appealing from the recent decision in the Superior Court, denying the city's claim of title to the twenty-foot strip of land between the city's efforts to establish title to the disputed strip. He urged the Council to instruct the City Attorney to appeal the case.

Mr. Dunn said, however, that while the city might win its suit, the chances of defeat were, in his opinion, considerably greater.

This view was confirmed by a statement from the City Engineer who stated to the Council the grounds of the city's claim of title and the evidence which led to the adverse decision.

Several property-owners spoke, urging that the case be taken up. They declared that the city had been robbed of the ground. In this the City Attorney had less than a majority of the City Council in 1884 fixed the width of San Pedro street at sixty feet, and by implication abandoned the disputed strip.

As the expense of appeal would be from \$250 to \$500, and as the prospects of a favorable issue appeared slight, the Council decided to abandon the suit.

SPRING STREET PAVING.

The City Engineer reported that the protest against the repaving of Spring street had less than a majority of the City Council in 1884 fixed the width of San Pedro street at sixty feet, and by implication abandoned the disputed strip.

The final ordinance for the improvement was presented by the City Clerk and passed.

The protest against the acceptance of Central-avenue improvements was denied.

In accordance with the recommendation of the health department the Council decided to discontinue street sweeping in Center Place, Clay street and St. James Park, and on the Buena Vista-street, Downey-avenue and First-street bridges.

The health department was also allowed to employ a man, horse and cart at \$3 per day.

SEVENTH WARD ELECTION.

The special election to be held in the Seventh Ward again came up for discussion. The debate branched from a motion by Ashman that the Council proceed to fill by temporary appointment the vacancy in the Board of Education caused by the resignation of J. F. Adams. Grider seconded the motion.

Toll objected to immediate action, preferring to ascertain first the choice of the people of the ward. He moved

as a substitute that action be deferred indefinitely. Ashman urged that on January 1 the Board of Education would reorganize and elect a new president and new committees, and that the Council should act before that time. Toll's substitute was carried by a vote of 6 to 2.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

A motion was then carried that it was the sense of the Council that the people of the Seventh Ward should nominate their candidates by petition rather than by primaries.

On motion by Mathews the City Engineer was instructed to present plans, specifications and estimate of cost for an extension of the Arroyo de los Reyes storm drain from the present terminus, thirty feet west of Beaudry avenue, to Ohio street.

The Los Angeles Railway was instructed to repair the pavement between its tracks, on First street from Main street to the river.

The Fire and Water Committee reported as follows:

"In the matter of petition from W. M. Caswell et al., asking that a fire-alarm box be placed at the corner of Eighteenth and Grifflin avenues, we recommend the same be granted and the Board of Fire Commissioners so instructed."

"In the matter of petition from A. M. Tuthill et al., we recommend that the Los Angeles City Water Company be instructed to place a fire hydrant at the corner of First street and Fremont avenue."

The recommendations of the committee were adopted.

CITY AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The City Auditor's annual report was presented to the Council yesterday. It is a complete and elaborate statement of the city's receipts and disbursements during the year ending November 30, the annual report of the city's indebtedness and the value of its property.

The total expenditures amounted to \$1,527,357.08. The value of the city's property was given as \$9,956,946.

The available cash in the city treasury on December 1 was \$251,000.00.

Mateo-street Inspection.

Street Superintendent Drain will make final inspection of Mateo street tomorrow at 9 a.m.

Can't Make the Tests.

City Clerk Hance has received a dispatch from the engineer commissioner at Washington to whom samples of the local asphalt were to be submitted for tests. The telegram says: "Regret we cannot make tests. Will write further."

This added a new complication to the asphalt situation, and the Board of Public Works will be forced to wrestle once more with the problem that has given so much trouble in the past three months.

AT THE COURT HOUSE.

MRS. BOWMAN TESTIFIES.

TELLS WHAT SHE KNOWS ABOUT HER HUSBAND'S DEATH.

Crandall Threatened to "Fix" Bowman the Day Before the Tragedy—"Billie" White Makes Damaging Statements on the Stand.

The large number of curious spectators that thronged Judge Smith's courtroom yesterday to hear the evidence piled up against Frank D. Crandall, charged with having murdered Jack Bowman at Ballona September 14 last, found much in the proceedings to interest them.

"Billie" White, who was one of the Crandall-Bowman party at Ballona, and the widow of the dead man were the most important witnesses of the day.

White testified that on Sunday, two days before the tragedy, Bowman and Crandall became engaged in an altercation over a board bill. It amounted only 40 cents and had been contracted by Bowman who requested Crandall to "stand good" for it. This Crandall refused to do. Bowman declared that he did not care for Crandall, and that he would not stand for him. Crandall, who was one of the Crandall-Bowman party at Ballona, and the widow of the dead man were the most important witnesses of the day.

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FROM THE ORANGE BELT.

GROVES IN THE LOWLANDS UN-
DOUBTEDLY SUFFERED.

Oranges in the Higher Districts
Believed to Be Uninjured by
Sunday Night's Frost - Colder
Weather Last Night in the Val-
leys.

The frost that was predicted for
Sunday night and Monday morning
arrived, and the temperature in the low-
land orange districts fell to 24 deg.
above zero, but the orange-growers do
not admit that any serious damage was
done. It is almost impossible to get re-
liable information from anybody in-
terested in the fruit business, as the
many of the reports sent out evidently
are based upon readings of thermome-
ters not so exposed as to indicate the
conditions in the orchards. Informa-
tion received from regular correspond-
ents of The Times, specially instructed
to ascertain the facts, is given below:

RIVERSIDE, Dec. 20.—Sunday night
was the coldest of the season here, and
the general opinion, as summed up
from the statements of a large number
of orange-growers from different parts
of the valley, is that little damage was
done to the orange or lemon crops.

A representative of one of the lead-
ing fruit firms made a complete round
of the valley today, and reports that
except in certain exposed sections the
oranges were not injured by the frost.
The lowest temperature registered by
the thermometer in this section was 24
deg., and that was in the lowlands
down the valley.

RIVERSIDE, Dec. 21, 12:30 am.—The
thermometer in front of the water
company's office registers 41 deg. at
this hour. A strong breeze is blowing,
and there is no danger of a killing
frost.

[Note.—The thermometer evidently is
not exposed to conditions that prevail
in the orchards, and the reading is too
high.]

SAN BERNARDINO.
SAN BERNARDINO, Dec. 20.—[Reg-
ular Correspondence.] The cold wave
reached its climax here Sunday night,
but little damage to the fruit crop is
reported.

Dr. A. K. Johnson, volunteer weather
observer of this city, says that the
lowest point registered during the night
was 25 deg. Several other citizens
claim that it dropped to 21 deg. at one
time during the night.

From Highland comes the report
that 23 deg. was the lowest point
reached and in Old San Bernardino 29
deg. was the minimum registered. In
Redlands the mercury dropped to 23
deg., and a thermometer in the field
registered 26 deg. In the sections
named, as obtained from reliable au-
thority, little, if any, damage was done
to the orange or lemon crops.

POMONA.
POMONA, Dec. 20.—[Reg-
ular Correspondence.] The mercury
has fallen ten degrees in four hours
and now registers 23, the point at which
it stood forty minutes after midnight
of Sunday. It is the worst start yet
on frost.

Midnight.—The mercury now registers
25 deg., four degrees lower than last
night. If it falls as much as it did last
night, it will stand at 21 before morn-
ing. There is no wind and the sky is
clear. Mercury reached freezing point
at 11 p.m. yesterday and at 7 p.m.
today.

REDLANDS.
REDLANDS, Dec. 20.—[Associated
Press.] The lowest thermometer read-
ing in Smiley Heights was 31 deg. A
few in exposed parts of Redlands went
down to 24. Orchardists generally re-
port 27 and 28. Many orchards have
been examined today and it is claimed
that the navel is uninjured, but that
Mediterranean sweets are hurt some.
Tonight promises to be about as cold
as last night.

LOTTERY SCHEMES.

Word-puzzle Prize Advertisements

Excluded from Mail.

The ruling of the Postoffice Depart-
ment at Washington barring papers
and magazines containing lottery sub-
scription advertisements has been re-
ceived by the local postoffice and is
found to affect a number of the lead-
ing magazines if they do not take
warning and remove the objectionable
features from their advertising pages.
Among these lottery advertisements
are such as "Where does the word
horseback appear in the Bible?" with
cash prizes for the correct answers,
providing they are accompanied by
cash for subscription to the publica-
tion offering the prize. Another is the
offering of prizes for making names
out of a jumble of letters, and another
for the supplying of missing letters.
These are all classed as lottery schemes
because each makes the subscription a
necessary consideration, each offers a
prize and each makes the obtaining of
the prize depend on chance by stipu-
lating that the first correct answers to
be mailed or received will gain the
prize.

These advertisements are usually
the schemes of small and struggling
publications to gain subscribers. They
have been appearing for some time in
the advertising pages of McClure's,
the Cosmopolitan, Munsey's and other
magazines, but heretofore no publication
containing them can pass through the
mails.

The Trading Stamp Scheme.

The promoters of the so-called "trading-
stamp scheme" are still trying to
induce the merchants of Los Angeles to
make use of their peculiar methods.
Secretary Zeehandelaar of the Mer-
chants' and Manufacturers' Associa-
tion has sent to the merchants of this
city one thousand circular letters de-
nouncing the methods of the scheme
and giving the experience of those mer-
chants in other cities who had been in-
duced to embark in the enterprise. Mr.
Zeehandelaar has found that the pro-
moters of the scheme are trying to
make headway by representing to un-
willing merchants that some other
well-known house has decided to ac-
cept their offers. But so far no first-
class business house in the city has
done so. The trading-stamp scheme
has been strongly denounced by the
commercial organizations of San Fran-
cisco and Oakland.

Injured While Drunk.

John Tobin, drunk and injured, was
found lying beside the car track at the
corner of Eighth street and Central
avenue about 9 o'clock last night. He
was removed to the Receiving Hospi-
tal, where a cut on his left cheek was
dressed and the man put to bed.

Tobin said he had fallen from a Central-
avenue car, but no accident was
reported at the company's office.

Hypnotism.

The Pontanas, hypnotists, will open a
series of entertainments at the Los An-
geles Theater tonight. Their perfor-
mance includes hypnotism, mind-reading,
mesmerism, etc., and they say it is
scientific.

ENGRAVED ALUMINUM

Toilet sets, shaving sets, napkin rings, alcoh-
ol lamps, match boxes, cigarette cases, match
stamp and soap boxes, guaranteed not to
furnish. Pittsburgh Aluminum Company, No.
18 South Spring.

MUST HAVE.

Big cut in jewelry novelties.
N. Moore, No. 237 South Spring.

COLLIS WANTED TO KNOW.

Couldn't Understand Why the Police

Overlooked Bunco-steerers.

James Collis, a young man about 20
years of age, was arrested by Officer
Gorman at 7:30 o'clock last night and
locked up on a charge of begging. Col-
lis appeared to be somewhat intoxica-
ted and it was necessary for the of-
ficer to place the handcuffs on him be-
fore he would submit to arrest. While
waiting for the patrol wagon at the
corner of Second and Spring street, he
gained the sympathy of many of the
large crowd which quickly congregated,
by asking the officer why more atten-
tion was not devoted by the police to
the arrest of bunco-steerers and less
zeal displayed in capturing hobos.

Pomona Grati-growers.

On Saturday last a Deciduous Fruit-
Growers' Association was organized at
Pomona to form a part of the South-
ern California Fruit Exchange. Mr.
Sprague, general organizer, reports
the prospects excellent for the forma-
tion of a strong district exchange in
the vicinity of Pomona, and that the
movement elsewhere is gaining head-
way and promises success. A great
deal of work preliminary to organiza-
tion has been done, and immediately
after the Farmers' Convention, Janu-
ary 3, 4 and 5, Mr. Sprague will be in
the field all of the time organizing local
associations throughout all of the ter-
ritory south of Tehachapi.

Not on Santa Claus's List.

Two boys, Arthur and Charles Bag-
ley, undertook to boom the trade in
Christmas goods yesterday by purloin-
ing a music box, a mouth organ, some
candy and other trinkets at the
Broadway Department Store, and dis-
posing of the stolen articles at the Ark.
toy store on North Main street.
After this transaction they stole a dog
from the store of the Highland Ken-
nels, adjoining the Ark, but they did
not carry the dog off. Officer Phillips
swooped down upon them and sent
them to the Police Station to be locked
up on the charge of petty larceny.

Wouldn't Pay Twice.

Charles Blakeman, a conductor on
the Daly-street electric road, was tried
for battery yesterday afternoon in Jus-
tice Morrison's court, and acquitted.
The alleged battery consisted in elect-
ing a passenger who refused to pay his
fare on the ground that he had already
paid it. The conductor thought he
hadn't, so he stopped the car and put
the man off, but used no force or vio-
lence in doing so. It appears that the
man had paid his fare, but did not
treat the conductor civilly when the
latter, through mistake, asked him to
pay the second time.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

MONDAY, Dec. 20, 1897.

(Figures in parentheses, unless otherwise
stated, give volume and page of miscellaneous
records and recorded maps.)

Nevie R Brooks et con to M S Crowell,
lot 35, Victor Heights tract, \$100.

Louise Terry et con to Mrs Albertina C
Peterson, lot 6, as shown on a map marked
Exhibit A, referee's report in the action of
Retorio D de Reyes vs Francisco L
Reyes et al, \$1850.

E S Rowley et ux to Mary S Strohn, lot 4
and part of lot 5, Rowley tract, \$7500.

J P Moulton et ux to Joseph Peacock, part
of sec 12, T 2 S, R 14 W, \$11,600.

S P Crowley to W A Beiger, lot 500, M L
Wicks's subdivision of the Garbanier tract,
\$200.

Martha E Wilson to G H Peck, Jr, block
16, excepting lots 10, 11 and 14, Rudeinda
tract, Palos Verdes Rancho, \$1000.

J P Moulton et ux to Joseph Peacock, part
of lot 5, block 21, Phillips tract, Rancho La
Puenta, \$1800.

R S Field et ux to C A Cole, undivided 1/4
interest in lot 5, block 11, Wolfkill Orchard
tract, \$1000.

C A Cole et ux to Elizabeth Scott, part of
lots and 8, Agricultural Park tract, \$1500.

Nelson Smith to Walter Smith, lot 6, block
K, Monrovia; lot 2, block 17, Electric Home-
stead Association tract; lot 28, block 1, High-
land tract, addition No. 1, lots 18, 20 and 21,
block B, Citra bella tract, city of Los An-
geles, \$1000.

J H Bartle et ux to Nancy D Barnes, lot 5
Barnes's subdivision in block K, Mon-
rovia, \$250.

Calvin Hartwell et ux to E H Royce et ux,
part of lot 12, Gliddings tract (S-106), \$1000.

Hein Smart et con to Nancy L Beier, lot
60, L H Michener's subdivision in block U,
Painter & Ball's addition to Pasadena, \$2200.

M W Metaker et ux to T E Newlin, lots
16, 17 and 18, block Elmer, Force & Elmer's
addition to Whittier, \$150.

Arcadia B de Baker to Mrs Mary L Chat-
field, lot 9, block 18, Santa Monica, \$25.

A Glassell to Los Angeles County, 45,826
acres in Santa Gertrudes Land Association
lands, \$450.

The Alamos Land Company to Mrs Eugenia
A N Norton, lots 10 and 11, block 59, Ala-
mos tract, \$1000.

T E Darnfield et ux to J T Doughlin, lot 2,
block 72, San Pedro, \$1200.

SUMMARY.

Deeds 30
Nominal 21
Total \$38,455.00

Elgin Experience.

Within a certain section of New York
State there are three times as many
Elgin Watches carried as of all other
makes combined, yet less than one-
third of the watches on the jeweler's
repair racks in that section are Elgins.
Strong evidence that they cost less to
keep in order than any other watch.

Ask your jeweler about the timekeep-
ing qualities of these superb watches,
and be sure that the word "Elgin" is
engraved on the plate of the watch
you buy.

The Full Ruby Jeweled is
the grade specially recommended.

Elgin National Watch Co., Elgin, Ill.

Some women save their time.

" " " money.

" " " clothes.

" " " strength.

The wisest woman saves all.

She uses Pearline.

BOOK on stomach troubles
sent free to any per-
son addressing the
STUART CO.,
Marshall, Mich.

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Manufacturers of
Stuart's Dyspepsia
Tablets. Every form
of stomach weakness
cured by this wonder-
ful new discovery.

Bartlett's Music House.
Everything in Music.
233 S. Spring St. Established 1880.
Sole Agency
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WE SELL CHINAWARE,
CROCKERY,
GLASSWARE,
AT CHEAPEST PRICES
IN AMERICA.

Royal Bavarian China-ware.	
Oat Meal Bowls, each.....	\$.10
Plates, Bread and Butter, each.....	.15
Salad Bowls, each.....	.50
Cups and Saucers, each.....	.35
Salad Sets, 7 pieces, per set.....	1.10
Printemps or "Springtime" De- corations in Green and White.	
Ash Trays, each.....	\$.25
Pin Trays, each.....	.35
Fruit Saucers, each.....	.35
Oat Meal Bowls, each.....	.50
Plates, Bread and Butter, each.....	.35
Cups and Saucers, each.....	.65
Cake Plates, each.....	.85
Carlsbad China-ware, Decorated.	
Cupids, each.....	\$.35
Fruit or Cake Plates, each.....	.15
Cups and Saucers, pair.....	.25
Plates, Historical Heads, each.....	.35
Cups and Saucers, Historical Heads, pair.....	.65
Plates, Napoleon, each.....	.50
Fruit Saucers, Napoleon, each.....	.50
Cups and Saucers, Napoleon, pair.....	.75
Fancy Thin China-ware, As- sorted Decorations.	
Cups and Saucers, each.....	\$.15
Sugar and Cream, per set.....	.25
Old Meal Bowls, each.....	.20
Plates, each.....	.20
Tea and Cake Sets, 3 pieces, per set.....	.60
Bohemian China-ware, De- corated.	
Sugar and Cream, per set.....	\$.10
Pin Trays, each.....	.15
Mugs, Little Brownies, each.....	.65
Toothpick Holders, each.....	.65
Milk Pitchers, each.....	.15
Cups and Saucers, Little Brownies, each.....	.10
Fruit Plates, each.....	.10
Hairpin Boxes, each.....	.15
Bon Bon, each.....	.25
Salad Bowls, each.....	.50
Chocolate Pots, each.....	.65
Biscuit Jars, each.....	.35
Elite French China-ware—Li- mogé's.	
Violet and Lily of the Valley Decoration, Olives, each.....	\$.35
Pin Trays, each.....	.50
Pin Boxes, each.....	.50
Ring Trays, each.....	.50
Puff Boxes, each.....	1.00
Cream Pitchers, each.....	1.25
Sugar Bowls, each.....	1.25
Cake Plates, each.....	2.00
Silver-plated Ware.	
Child's Cup, Engraved, each.....	\$.15
Child's Mug, Satin Gold Finish, each.....	.25
Berry Bowls, each.....	1.75
Child's Set, 3 pieces, Satin-lined Box, each.....	.25
Nut Set, 1 Crack and 6 Picks, Satin- lined Box, per set.....	.65
Tea Spoons, set of 6, per set.....	.50
Shakers, Salt and Pepper, per pair.....	.25
Kindergarten Sets, 5 pieces, per set.....	.50
Knives and Forks, set of 12, per set.....	2.00
Sundries in Elite French China- ware—Limogé's.	
Cups and Saucers, A. D., per pair.....	\$.35
Cups and Saucers, Tea Size, pair.....	.60
Plates, each.....	.25
Comb and Brush Trays, each.....	2.75
Salad Bowls, each.....	2.00
Chocolate Pots, each.....	3.50
Tea Pots, each.....	2.50
Cutlery.	
Cake Plate Holders, each.....	\$.65
Table Knives and Forks, Coco Han- dies, per set.....	.60
Table Knives and Forks, Bone Han- dies, per set.....	1.00
Carving Sets, per pair.....	.25
Carving Sets, Stag Handles, pair.....	1.25
Kitchen Knives, each.....	.10
Butcher Knives, Nickel Bolster, each.....	.25
Bread Knives, each.....	.15
Genuine Bique Ware.	
Moving Head Figures, each.....	\$.10
Old Shoe and Mice, Ash Holders, each.....	.25
Paper Weights, Books and Animals, each.....	.25
Toothpick Holders, each.....	.25
Flower Holders, each.....	.25
Cigar Holders, each.....	.25
Creeping Babies, each.....	.25
Sitting Babies, each.....	.50
Old Meal Bowls, each.....	.25
Figures, Statuary, per pair.....	1.00
Figures, Skirt Dancers, each.....	1.00
Good Night Children.....	1.00
Royal Hanover Blue-and-Brace and Ornaments.	
Vases, each.....	\$.25
Vases, Jug Shape, each.....	.25
Vases, Assorted Shapes, each.....	.35
Vases, each.....	.50
Flower Holders, each.....	.50
Genuine Royal Teplitz High-art Goods in Ornaments and Brice- a-Brace.	
Vases, Old Jug Shape, each.....	\$ 1.25
Vases, Single Handle, each.....	1.75
Vases, Double Handle, each.....	1.75
Vases, Double Handle, each.....	3.50
Semi-Porcelain Decorated in Windflower and Pink Sum- mer-time.	
Meat Bowls, each.....	\$.15
Salad Bowls, each.....	.15
Vegetable Dishes, each.....	.25
Cups and Saucers, per set.....	.60
Water Pitchers, each.....	.25
Butter Dishes, each.....	.50
Bohemian Fancy Glass Vases.	
Bud Holders, Engraved, each.....	\$.05
Vases, 6-inch, Assorted Decoration, each.....	.10
Vases, 8-inch, Assorted Decoration, each.....	.15
Vases, 10-inch, Assorted Decoration, each.....	.25
Vases, 8-inch, Alabaster, each.....	.25
Vases, 10-inch, Alabaster, each.....	.35

Invitation
To the Public...

Everybody is invited to
come and take a look at the
finest window display ever
made in Los Angeles. It
shows a shipwreck in
Alaska; it shows the sailors
from the disabled ship at
work mining; it shows the
dog trains going over Chil-
coat Pass; the wind blows
and there is a beautiful dis-
play of aurora borealis. Few
people realize what a won-
derful amount of pains tak-
ing labor there is in a work
of this kind, especially when
electricity is the motive
power. Every little part, seen or unseen, has to be as
nicely adjusted as the wheels of a watch. After you
have seen the window step inside and look at the won-
derful display of useful and sensible Holiday Gifts.
A display that is just as far ahead of the rest of the town
as the window is. An Aurora Borealis of Neckwear at
25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00; Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs,
Suspenders, Gloves, Hosiery, Smoking Jackets, Dressing
Gowns, Bath Robes, Canes, Umbrellas, Shirts, Night-
shirts and Men's Hats, which we sell at \$1.00 to \$2.00
per hat less than the regular hatter charges for the
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North Spring Street, S. W. Corner Franklin.

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Extra
Special... Sale,

Of 50 dozen Fancy Decorated Cups and
Saucers in pretty colorings and dainty
shapes. Your choice of these today for

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About 20 of those great snaps in Bohemian
Glass Water Sets left at 50c a set. Pitcher,
6 glasses and metal tray.

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The Crystal Palace,

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RUN 100 STORES. BUY CHEAPER, SELL CHEAPER, GIVES FREE

GREAT AMERICAN IMPORTING
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San Bernardino..... 40 Third Street.
Redlands..... 18 East State Street.
Santa Barbara..... 728 State Street.
Pomona..... Cor. Second and Gordon Streets.

SIEGEL'S
HOLIDAY SALE
Special Suspenders

Yesterday's express brought us a big lot of Christmas gift suspenders.
These goods were ordered to be delivered two weeks ago for our holiday
sale, but by an ill chance they were delayed. We place the entire grand lot
on special sale this morning at midsummer prices. If you contemplate giv-
ing suspenders, don't for a minute make a selection until you have looked
over these. There are none others in town that will equal them for style,
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Hats, Canes, Gloves,
Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, Shirts,
Mufflers, Neckwear, Collars and Cuffs.

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Prescriptions carefully compounded day or
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HEIDSIECK
PLUG TOBACCO

(CHAMPAGNE FLAVOR)

Forty per cent. larger than before—the new five-
cent piece of Piper Heidsieck Plug Tobacco has
captured the country. Try it.

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While the pulling out yesterday who was from this tence for capturing the has not prisoner Sheriff J. weighted half-pound. The only Sheriff's escape with in which at Fresno "boot on." on the 11. Details last night. The train depot, and city limits station. the limits without a officer and over the car. As reached, by wire a immediately escaped it that no p the "boot" kins from officers. were search hour after could be were discas at which landed window, but. The the federates a vehicle foothills the success preconcerted greatly s on Satur Frances purchased believed bound train. During burglary, gled to his red peppercorn by Deput per was first supplied to way to f was after that Filik trial, wara. During confinement, artt articles v cape. On for him a Imbedded bottles of side another small saw filices were reached it. A few open boxes the penitentiary Burr took hill to ex care of h was the San Quen. The crim tenced by was the this city, ern Calif celved se burglary upon his were dis District A. Several from the being tak three year prisoner it was ab the whar known u city in A. The jail 5 feet, 9 brown ha long scaraf left index

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BURGLAR FILKINS MAKES HIS ESCAPE NEAR FRESNO.

An "Oregon Boot" Was No Great Impediment—Still at Large—Was to Have Been Taken to San Quentin by Deputy Sheriff Barnhill.

While the north-bound train was pulling out of Fresno at an early hour yesterday morning, Charles W. Filkins, who was being taken to San Quentin from this city under a five years' sentence for burglary, succeeded in escaping through the car window, and has not yet been apprehended. The prisoner was in charge of Deputy Sheriff J. H. Barnhill, and was weighted down with a sixteen and a half-pound "Oregon boot."

The only information received at the Sheriff's office yesterday concerning the escape was a telegram from Barnhill in which he stated simply: "Lost man at Fresno. Went through window with boot on." Sheriff Burr left for Fresno on the 11:50 train.

Details of the affair were received last night from Sheriff Scott of Fresno. The train had just pulled out of the depot, and was running slowly to the city limits, about a mile north of the station. At a point about half way to the limits, Filkins raised the window without attracting the attention of the officer and lifting the foot with the boot over the sill, threw himself out of the car. As soon as the next station was reached, Barnhill notified Sheriff Scott by wire and several deputies were immediately sent out in search of the escaped prisoner. Sheriff Scott states that no particular alarm was felt, as the "boot" would greatly hinder Filkins from getting beyond reach of the officers. But although the deputies were searching for the man within an hour after his escape, no trace of him could be found. Fresh wagon tracks were discovered leading from the point at which Filkins is supposed to have landed when he dropped from the window, but these were soon lost.

The theory of the officers is that confederates were waiting for Filkins with a vehicle with which to escape to the foothills and that the whole affair is the successful outcome of a cunningly-preconceived plan. This belief is greatly strengthened by the fact that on Saturday last a woman named Frances Mendoza, Filkins's mistress, purchased a ticket to Fresno. She is believed to have left on the first north-bound train.

During the trial of Fred Bassett for burglary, the Mendoza woman smuggled to him a large envelope filled with red pepper. The action was observed by Deputy Sheriff Aguirre and the paper was taken from Bassett. It was first supposed that the pepper was intended for Aguirre's eyes while on the way to jail with the prisoner, but it was afterward satisfactorily learned that Filkins, who was in jail awaiting trial, was the intended recipient.

During the last month of Filkins's confinement in the County Jail, several attempts were made to smuggle articles with which to effect his escape. On one occasion a cake was left for him at the jail by a messenger boy. Imbedded in the center were found two bottles of muriatic acid and a file. Inside another cake were found several small saws. In each instance the articles were discovered before they reached the prisoner's hands.

A few days ago Filkins made the open boast that he would never go to the penitentiary. "Knowing the desperate character of the man, Sheriff Burr took the precaution to warn Barnhill to exercise unusual diligence in the care of his prisoner during the trip to San Quentin."

The crime for which Filkins was sentenced by Judge Smith on Saturday was the last of a series committed in this city, and other points in Southern California. At the time he received sentence for burglary, the prisoner leaped from the ferry-boat as it was about to clear, and swam under the wharf. His whereabouts were unknown until he was arrested in this city in August last.

The jail records describe Filkins as 5 feet, 9 inches in height, blue eyes, brown hair and fair complexion. Seen long scars appear on the inside of the left index finger.

POLICE COURT.

Record-breaking Time Made by Justice Owens.

Thirty-three names were on the Police Court roster yesterday, and Justice Owens disposed of the thirty-three cases in less than one hour, or at the rate of one case every minute and three-quarters.

It was as motley a crew of prisoners as ever sat in the dock. Drunks largely predominated, twenty-six of the thirty-three cases being for this offense. There were young men scarcely out of the teens, who blushing confessed that it was their first jag. There were middle-aged men, whose wives and children probably will be overlooked by Santa Claus this year, on account of the predilection of pater familias for booze. There also was a big representation of veteran toppers, four of whom wore the uniform of Uncle Sam, their presence in the Police Court being prima facie evidence that pensions have been paid recently.

One old, gray-bearded chap who said he ought to be in the Soldiers' Home, but wasn't had two charges of drunkenness against him. Officer Henderson arrested him Saturday morning. He was released from the City Jail on Sunday, and a few hours later Officer Fay found him drunk again. He was fined \$3 for the first offense and \$5 for the second, with the usual alternative.

The fines ranged all the way from \$3 to \$50, or as many days' imprisonment for intoxication, according to the size of the jag or the frequency of the offense. A few had the money to pay their fines; the rest were sent downstairs to serve out their sentences.

Officer Fay personally appeared against seven of the defendants, he having found that number of intoxicated persons on his beat.

One young fellow got a thirty days' sentence for begging. He said he had just arrived from Bakersfield, was hungry and had only a nickel. He tried to double his capital in order to procure a square meal by negotiating a loan of some citizens. He had asked four different pedestrians for a nickel, without result, when Special Officer Samuelson used his authority to place him under arrest. The Impetuous Bakersfieldian will now board at the city's expense for one month.

T. Cochems was fined \$3 for violating the old ordinance.

W. O. Merrill was acquitted of the charge of fast driving.

W. W. Rump, colored, who was accused of stealing a pair of shoes belonging to another colored man, was found not guilty.

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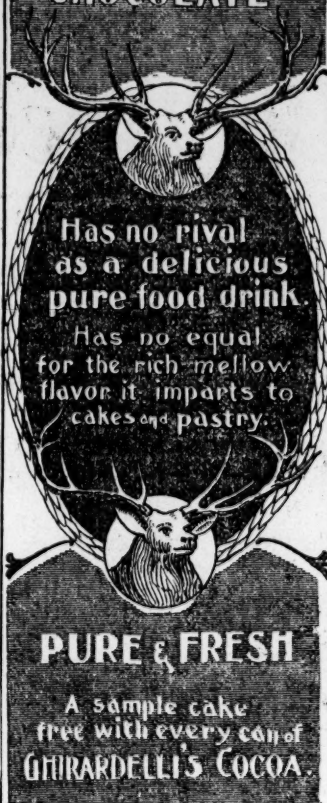
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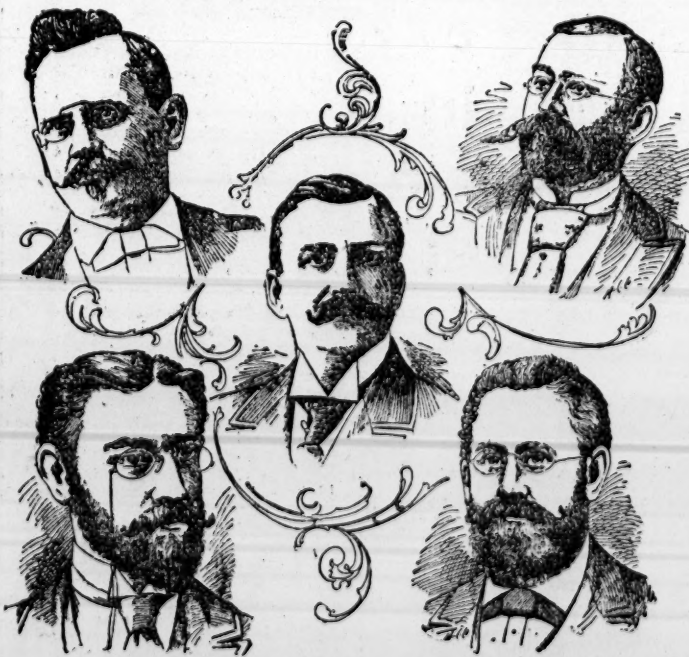
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\$20 Men's Oregon City Cassimere Sack Suits, at Retiring prices.....	\$14.55	Men's Embroidered Nightgowns, \$1.50 value.....	65c
		Men's Embroidered Nightgowns, \$2 value.....	85c
		Fancy Satin Embroidered Suspensiers, 75c value.....	35c
		Men's Natural and Camel-hair Underwear, 50c value.....	45c
		Men's Natural Wool and Camel-hair Underwear, \$1 value.....	65c
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\$30,000 Bankrupt Stock of Boots and Shoes

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A FEW SAMPLE PRICES:

Men's LOT 7—Edwin Clapp's \$7 Enamel Shoes, double soles, pointed and coin toes.....	\$3.95	Ladies' LOT 525—E. P. Reed & Co's cloth top, Louis heels, razor toe, \$6.00 and \$7.00 grades.....	\$4.25	Misses' and Children's 125 pairs Misses' Dongola Kid Shoes, button, regular \$1.50 grade, at.....	\$1.05
LOT 6—Burt & Packard's Cordovan Bals, coin toes, double soles, very best and latest style, just from the factory; 68 grades; at.....	\$4.75	LOT 524—E. P. Reed & Co's patent leather, cloth top, Louis heel, \$6 grade; sale price.....	\$2.75	Same in Children's sizes, at.....	95c
LOT 601—French Calf, double sole, razor toe, 66 grades; sale price.....	\$3.50	LOT 517—D. Armstrong & Co's Oxblood Welted Shoes, coin toe, \$6 grade. Sale price.....	\$3.50	Williams, Hoyt & Co's Misses' Oxfords and Tan Shoes, \$3 grade, all new goods, just from the factory, at.....	\$1.75
LOT 51—Burt & Packard's plain French toe, Congress and Bal, \$6 grades.....	\$3.00	LOT 417—Trimby & Brewster's Oxblood Button, coin toe, \$5.00 grade. Sale price.....	\$2.75	Same in children's sizes, \$2 to \$2.50 grades, at.....	\$1.50
Edwin Clapp's and Burt & Packard's \$6 and \$7 grades, in tan and oxblood, last styles and nice goods, at.....	\$3.25	LOT 0881—E. P. Reed & Co's chocolate, coin toe, lace, regular \$4 shoe. Sale price.....	\$2.25	500 pairs broken lots, same manufacturers' goods, a pair, 50c and.....	75c
Broken lots, nearly all sizes, \$3 and \$4 grades, from \$1.50 to.....	\$2.50	Mixed lots and broken lots of \$4 and \$5 Shoes, Slippers and Oxfords displayed on our table at.....	75c		

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 NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The following prices for
 widgen, 1.50c/1.75c; teal, 1.75c/2.00c; sprig, 3.00c
 3.50c; mallard, 4.00c/4.50c; canvas backs, 5.00c
 5.50c; snipe, 7.50c/10c; plover, 7.50c/10c; doves,
 75c/1.00c; cottontails, 1.00c.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Shares and Money.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—After a spasmodic
 effort to continue the rise of Saturday, to-
 day's stock market fell back into a decline
 and failed to reach the level of the previous
 strength of some of the specialties at the
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You're invited. Desmond invites a careful and critical inspection of his holiday offerings. It's a display which, once seen, will convince you that there's only one way to fulfill the best of fashion and make yourself solid in the matter of correct styles in Christmas hats and men's furnishings of every description. Buy your hats, shirts, canes, umbrellas, bath robes, smoking jackets, socks, handkerchiefs, underwear, etc., at Desmond's, No. 141 South Spring street, in the Bryson Block.

If you are contemplating going to Klondike in the spring, get a copy of the "Guide to Klondike," a complete and authentic history of the gold field of Alaska, with splendid map. It will be a paying investment. For sale at The Times counting-room, or by mail, 25 cents.

The San Pedro Harbor specifications in full, with diagrams showing the breakwater as it is to be, have been printed in a two-page sheet of The Times, on fine paper, made to order, for sale at the counter.

Fire dogs, fire baskets, fire sets, in black and brass, the largest stock ever brought to Los Angeles, just arrived at J. W. Frey's Mantel House, No. 700 North Main street, corner of Macy. Take Pasadena or East Side Park cars to our door.

Siddi Mahomet-Tasber of India will speak this evening at No. 330 1/2 Broadway. Subject, "Incarnation," 8 o'clock.

Spe. al—Finest cabinet photos reduced to \$1 and \$1.75 per dozen. Sunday, No. 253 South Main street.

Suspensory mounted to order Southern California Exposition Co., 318 North Los Angeles street.

Kodaks for Christmas present. Howland & Chadwick, 211 South Main street.

Papper, the furrier, No. 40 East Colorado street, upstairs, Pasadena.

Hear Farland, the noted banjoist, tonight at the Y.M.C.A. Hall.

C. E. Mayne, No. 440 Broadway Block.

J. C. Burns was arrested by Officer Baker on Alameda street for violating the license ordinance.

J. E. Thompson was arrested on Main street by Officer Lehnhausen yesterday afternoon for disturbing the peace.

The furnace of the High School failed to perform its function yesterday, and the school was dismissed in the forenoon.

H. W. Chynoweth of Santa Ana has been admitted to practice in both the district and circuit courts of the motion of Judge A. W. Hutton.

An excursion party of sixty-seven persons is due to arrive today via the Santa Fe route. The tourists are from New York and New England.

Dan Oswald was found guilty of battery by Justice Morrison yesterday.

Oswald is a boy who bullied a smaller one. He will be sentenced tomorrow.

The Christmas party of the new boys is being arranged by young men and women, who are interested in the work of the Lark Ellen Home, and not by the managers of the home.

There are undelivered telegrams at the Western Union Telegraph Company's office for the following: J. Harris Williams, Volney D. Williamson, James B. Clark, J. L. Rumery, C. D. York and Martin Flynn.

As the result of a feud between two families named Baker, living on Paloma avenue, a warrant was issued for Willie Baker, aged 16, on the charge of battery, has been issued. Willie is charged with having hit one of the other Baker boys on the head with a stone.

The entire postoffice force is groaning under a deluge of 50,000 sample copies of the San Francisco Call, for the most part addressed without either street or number. In order to deliver them it is necessary to look up in the directory thousands upon thousands of John Smith and Jim Jones and Bill Robinsons.

ANNUAL BAZAAR.

Useful and Fancy Articles for Christmas Gifts.

The ladies of St. Paul's Church opened their annual bazaar very successfully yesterday, at No. 313 South Broadway. The booths are handsomely decorated, and are filled with a large variety of useful and fancy articles appropriate for Christmas gifts. The linen embroidery booth, which is presided over by Misses John Gray, H. J. Woolcott and Burdette Chandler, is one of the prettiest in the hall, with its decorations of green and white and its array of exquisite embroideries.

Mrs. W. H. Perry and Mrs. Charles are in charge of a pretty assortment of puff quilts, and Mrs. I. T. Bolton, assisted by Mrs. E. H. Edwards, and Mrs. C. M. Chittenden preside over the doll booth, where the playthings so dear to the heart of the wee woman may be found in all sizes and conditions of goods.

The young ladies of St. Agnes's Guild have charge of two very attractive booths, one filled with embroidered linen and the other with handsome reprints and pictures. The members of the guild in charge are the Misses Alice Gray, Marian Snow, Alice Talcott, Alice MacDonell, Ethel Collier, Marguerite Babb, Daisy and Olive Hughes, Vivian Jenkins, Anita Rhodes, Margaret Berkeley, Florence Foy, Christine Works, Olive Dotson, Blanche Craig and Alice and Louise Bell.

Mrs. E. C. Dieter and Mrs. H. V. Harris preside over a dainty booth stocked with exceedingly pretty aprons. The bags, cushions and crocheted articles are in the charge of Mrs. Dora Davidson, assisted by Mrs. F. W. Wheeler and Mrs. J. E. Allison. The candy booth, where toothsome confections, in artistically decorated boxes are on sale, is presided over by Miss Lotta Bower, assisted by Mrs. Charles Bower and the Misses Emma Hine and Amy Kneeling.

A hot luncheon is served every day from 11:30 to 2 o'clock, the department being under the direction of Mrs. Alice T. Anderson, assisted by Misses L. J. Strange, De Garmo, Mitchell, Junkin, Parker, Freeman, Fuller, Boshard, Hawkins and Bower.

A fine piano has been loaned by E. G. Robinson and music will be furnished by kindly volunteers. Yesterday afternoon a delightful programme was contributed by J. E. Sheads, mandolinist, accompanied by Miss Adele Perry at the piano. The bazaar will continue until Wednesday evening, being open both day and evening.

The bazaar and hall, at the Ladies of the L.O.O.F. Orphans' Home Sewing Circle of Arbor Vitae Rebekah Lodge, No. 83, will give an entertainment, bazaar and hall this evening at the Odd Fellows' building. One of the many interesting features will be the voting for the most popular Odd Fellow in the city. The proceeds of the entertainment will be devoted to the Orphans' Home.

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PERSONALS.

Hon. L. M. Lloyd, Berkeley, is at the Ramona.

Hon. Thomas R. Bard of Hueneme is at the Van Nuys.

Miss Mary Foy returned from Berkeley yesterday, to spend the holidays.

William T. Randall, dean of Chaffey College, Ontario, is a guest at the Ramona.

Miss Blanche Rogers went to Azusa yesterday, to be the guest of Mrs. Macnell for a week.

Hon. H. W. Pratt, Mayor of Chelsea, Mass., is a guest at the Van Nuys. He will spend a few weeks in the city.

Mrs. George Kilbourne and Miss Kilbourne have returned to their home, No. 1012 West Pico street, and are at home on Fridays.

Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Brownell of Michigan have been visiting their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. C. Lopsley of West Second street.

Mrs. F. K. Gray of Portland, Or., left last Wednesday for San Francisco, after a four months' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Sims.

Miss Howell of Waynesville, N. C., and Miss McQueen of Montgomery, Ala., arrived Saturday to spend the winter, the former to be the guest of her uncle, R. H. Howell, and the latter, the guest of her brother, Mark B. Lewis.

Licensed to Wed.

Charles W. F. Rudolph, aged 26, native of Missouri, and Rosa M. Green, aged 24, native of Minnesota; both residents of Pomona.

John W. Small, aged 27, native of Canada, resident of Winemuccia, Neb., and May W. Wilson, aged 21, native of Indiana, resident of Los Angeles.

Walter L. Wortman, aged 27, native of Ohio, and A. Helen Moses, aged 33, native of Minnesota; both residents of Pasadena.

Claude E. Hill, aged 31, native of Massachusetts, and Lena B. Woolley, aged 18, native of California; both residents of Los Angeles.

Wilber E. Coons, aged 36, native of New York, and Lizzie Hollenbeck, aged 24, native of California; both residents of Los Angeles.

DEATH RECORD.

HOSWICK—December 18, 1897, Mrs. Mary Hoswick, 64 years old.

FUNERAL at 1 o'clock p.m., from undertaking parlors of Garrett & Co., North Main street.

VERNON—December 20, Frank Vernon, aged 48 years 3 months.

FUNERAL from the family residence on New Hampshire street, between Pico and Washington, on Thursday, December 23, at 10 a.m. Interment at Rosehill cemetery.

GARBER—At his residence, December 19, 1897, Samuel J. Garber, a native of Pennsylvania, aged 38 years.

FUNERAL from residence, No. 135 N. Water street, this Tuesday, December 22, at 2 p.m. Friends invited to attend.

DORRANCE—In this city, December 19, 1897, Dr. C. Dorrance, a native of New York, aged 44 years.

FUNERAL from residence, No. 648 W. Jefferson street, Wednesday, December 22, at 10:30 a.m. Friends invited to attend.

ALUMINUM PRESENTS.

Hair brushes, combs, children's cups, shaving sets, tableware, salt and pepper sets, napkin rings, etc., Pittsburgh Aluminum Company, No. 328 South Spring street.

Buy Gloves of a Glove House.

Beautiful Glove Boxes Free

To each purchaser of three pairs of gloves, not a cheap, ordinary looking box, but just as dainty as it can be. Never have we been as well ready with Christmas Gloves as we are today, from whom ever the best kid gloves are made there has our stock been gathered. You're sure of getting the latest and correct things in gloves if you buy here.

THE UNIQUE KID GLOVE HOUSE,

247 South Spring Street.

AVERY-STAUER SHOE CO.

Byrne Building, Broadway near Third.

"Always Satisfactory to the Wearer."

An absolutely guaranteed pure Cream of Tartar Baking Powder. Enough merit in itself.

But Dr. FOX'S Health Baking Powder has another merit. It is a Pepsin Baking Powder.

VERXA

The Cash Grocer

OPENING ...TODAY

Everybody invited. We have groceries to sell, you have groceries to buy. Let us meet at the corner of Broadway and Third and exchange our groceries for your cash at cash prices. We quote the following prices for this day only:—

2 Cents Pound

Fresh Rolled Oats, 10 lbs to one customer.

4c POTATO—Good clear

90c For one hundred pound sack best Salinas, Burbank Potatoes.

10c CAN—Fine Table Fruit.

5c POUND—Soft Shell Walnuts.

12c POUND—Caramel Cereal Health Coffee.

10 Cents Pound.

Good Guatemala Coffee, roasted fresh TODAY.

3c For 12-ounce package Baking Powder.

6c POUND—Cream of Maize.

8c Package of Gold Medal Wheat. With each package of this wheat we give one package of Pepin Cheeking Gum.

Candy! Candy!

By the Pound or by the Ton.

7c POUND for Fancy Mixed Candy.

9c POUND for Pure Hart Broken Mixed Candy.

15c For a pound of fine, Soft Mixed Candy.

25 Cents Pound.

For the best assortment of fancy Creams and Chocolates in the city, all fresh and tasty. Note the following varieties:—hand-made Strawberry Ice Cream, Lemon, Almond, Vanilla, Burdock, Pistachio and Coconut, Chocolates, Pineapple Cream, Violet Cream, Butter Cream, Peanut Cream, Angel Food, Almond Nut and a very large variety of every new thing in Candy all for just 25c per pound.

Bakery Dept.

3 Cents

For full Pound Loaves of Vienna Bread.

8c Dozen Good Doughnuts.

8c Fine PIES, all varieties.

Also a full line of fine Bakery goods.

Fruit! Fruit!

12c Dozen Fine BANANAS.

10c Dozen for Navel Oranges.

20c Dozen Fancy Navel Oranges.

3c Pound for Good Apples.

8c Each for Cocoanuts.

Coffee! Coffee!

We can sell Coffee, fresh roasted, all the way from 10c per pound up, as fine as can be had.

VERXA

Broadway and Third Street.

OVER 300 SALES-PEOPLE ARE AT SANTA CLAUS' COMMAND.

Christmas Sale of Pattern Suits.

THE grandest offering of our whole Holiday season. Bright new dress materials, the most sensible of gifts, at special cut prices. Elegant styles and finest qualities made are among them. The cheapest even are all-wool and exceptionally pretty. They will sell rapidly. Better get a "first choice."

7-yard Dress Patterns, all-wool for.....	\$1.75
7-yard Dress Patterns, in fancy bourettes.....	\$3.50
7-yard Dress Patterns, in all-wool checks.....	\$2.45
7-yard Dress Patterns, in two-tone crepons.....	\$5.25
\$10.00 Silk and Wool Pattern Suits, at.....	\$6.95
\$12.50 Silk and Wool Pattern Suits, at.....	\$6.95
\$15.00 Silk and Wool Pattern Suits, at.....	\$12.35
\$20.00 Imported Silk and Wool Pattern Suits, for.....	\$24.85
\$40.00 Imported Silk and Wool Pattern Suits.....	\$27.35
\$50.00 Imported Silk and Wool Pattern Suits.....	\$27.35
50 Suits of Black Lizard Brocades, in handsome designs, 7 yards in each pattern, worth \$5.00, special Christmas price.....	\$4.13

GIFTS FOR MEN.

Handkerchiefs.

12½c Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs..... 8½c

Japanese Handkerchiefs, exactly like silk, colored borders..... 12½c

Persian effect Japanese Handkerchiefs, colored center and borders, hemstitched..... 10½c

White Silk Handkerchiefs, hemstitched and initialed..... 10½c

Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs..... 10½c

All silk initial Handkerchiefs..... 10½c

Fine Irish Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs..... 10½c

Large Silk Handkerchiefs with Dresden and Persian borders..... 10½c

Pure Linen Handkerchiefs..... 10½c

Smoking Jacket.

We have a most elegant line of all the newest and most popular materials from the best maker this country knows. Here are two specials:

Gray Mink Cheviot Smoking Jacket, pocket, cuffs and collar trimmed with silk cord, regular \$3.15

New Scotch Cheviot Smoking Jacket, silk cord edge, new cut, collars, lined make, at..... \$7.50

12½c POUND—Caramel Cereal Health Coffee.

Bath Robes.

Elide-down Bath Robes, fancy stripes, worth \$6, special at..... \$3.95

Slippers.

Men's Mink Velvet Slippers with patent leather trimmings, all sizes, at..... 75c

Men's Slippers made of fine and soft goat leather, in black, navy, lined, warm and comfortable, at..... \$1.00

Men's Dongola Kid Slippers, opera cut, well made and of special quality, at..... \$1.50

Men's Black and Tan Kid Slippers, opera cut, well made and of special quality, at..... \$2.00

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